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'Missile attack' as tanks and helicopters are used in civil war

Yeltsin puts the blame on Gorbachov

By Michael Binyon in Moscow and Daniel Treisman in London

Civil war raged unabated along the frontier between Armenia and Azerbaijan yesterday, with troops sent in by the Kremlin to quell the violence coming under fire from both sides.

As the official death toll rose to 56, the radical politician, Mr Boris Yeltsin, blamed the slow pace of President Gorbachov's reforms for the unrest threatening to unravel

Soviet rule. The Soviet Union is faced with a crisis and could destroy itself within as little as three months," he said. And the deputy prime minister, Mr Leonid Abalkin, said the Soviet leadership risked being ousted unless perestroika showed results this year.

The presence of more than 11,000 extra Soviet troops did nothing to halt the fighting in the Trans-Caucasus yesterday, and Armenians and Azer-baijanis battled with tanks, grenades, machine guns and unmarked helicopters. Arme-



Fit to be tired?

LIVING

Given the choice between a contented sloth and an obsessive exerciser, I'd say the sloth might have a good chance of being healthier."

 As doctors continue to redefine what is, and is not, healthy behaviour, The Times Guide to Healthy Living considers

whether the fitness craze of the Eighties might have done more harm than good. See page 11

Portfolio **PLATINUM**

 There were no winners of yesterday's Portfolio Platinum competition,

which therefore accumulates to £4,000. Today's chance to win can be found on page 25

Mother freed

The part with th Tracey Scott, the 19-year-old unmarried mother who was jailed with her baby after being found guilty of theft by Judge Pickles, was freed by the Court of Appeal Page 3

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than full-scale civil war, and

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Armenian, were burnt alive in front of the main station. blackened bodies were cast on a rubbish dump."

have been moved by ferry and air from Baku, but the airport was blockaded by Azer-baijanis to prevent the refugees leaving. Of the former total of 220,000, only a few thousand Armenians remain, Tass said yesterday that crowds of Azerbaijanis in Baku were demanding arms to fight Armenians. On Sunday, local militants seized four tanks with their crews near a station in Kirovabad. The

the tanks. Tass also reported that 2,000 Azerbaijanis had massed on the hills above Nagorno-Karabakh, armed with antiaircraft guns and artillery. Some 300 lorries carrying armed militants were standing on the borders at the enclave.

Armed Armenian volunteers were yesterday being rushed into Nagorno-Karabakh, and helicopters were reported taking others into a village in the Khanlar district near by. However, reports from Stepanakert, the capital of Nagorno-Karabakh, denied that Armenians had fired on civilians from helicopters.

Tass reported that on Monday a huge quantity of explosives was discovered in two rail carriages near Julfa station in Azerbaijan; and in Yerevan, the Armenian capital, some 1,642 guns and more than 30,000 rounds of ammunition have been seized

by militants. Soviet television yesterday showed Interior Ministry troops firing into the air to disperse huge crowds and running for cover. "We come under fire wherever we go, from Azeris and the Armemians alike," a captain told television. "We arrived in one Armenian village late at night and lit flares to identify ourselves, but still they opened

villages had come under miss- criticized the use of Soviet troops. Azerbaijani forces in

Soviet correspondents said Baku directed road blocks to the clashes were nothing less prevent them reaching some were raging. Armenians were particularly bitter that troops were not sent in immediately reported horrific scenes in Baku, the Azerbaijani capital. "Again, the blood of innoafter the pogroms in Baku.

cent people was spilled," the official news agency, Tass, said. People, thought to be

Like ugly black dolls, two Some 2,000 Armenians

The decree declaring the state of emergency on Monday said attempts were being made to overthrow Soviet power by force; and the threat to Mr Gorbachov's position was further highlighted yes-terday in a two-pronged pol-tical ottack itical attack. Mr Yeltsin accused the

Soviet leader of making too many compromises in his reform programme, saying it had achieved none of its main objectives, "We urgently need authorities had confiscated fundamental and radical reforms," he said at the start of an 11-day visit to Japan.

Moscow yesterday held ur-gent talks with Iran and Turkey and Turkey took steps

to strengthen security along its

eastern frontier. Iran yes-

terday urged the Soviet Union

not to take tough action in the area. It said the state of

emergency had been declared "to defend people's lives and end ethnic bloodshed."

Mr Gorbachov's programme had failed to achieve political and economic reforms, to introduce a federal system of government, to solve ethnic problems or to raise living standards, he said.

"Confidence in both Gorbachov and perestroika is on the deline among the Soviet people," he told a news con-ference. Mr Yeltsin has urged Mr Gorbschov to convene an immediate party congress at which "exceptionally conservative" members of the Central Committee could be replaced. Some reports suggest that Mr Gorbachov is considering advancing the October

congress to the spring.

Mr Abalkin, head of the committee for economic reform, said in Amsterdam that the reform programme had been hastily adopted without expert advice.

The structure and manage ment of the Soviet Union's factories had remained essentially unchanged, he said, and new fiscal policies had come too late. "No one is infallible, but whoever persists in error should not be running a country," he said.

Meanwhile, in an unrelated incident, 16 people were killed in Baku when the headquarters of the Soviet Caspian fleet was hit by a mudslide, Nationalists on both sides Izvestia said yesterday.

Stockbrokers dismiss 219 staff to cut costs

By Neil Bennett

Two senior City stockbroking firms have dismised 219 staff in an effort to cut losses. Citicorp Scrimgeour Vick-

ers, the London share-dealing subsidiary of Citicorp, announced 140 redundancies and the closure of most of its British equity operations. It will concentrate on European stocks and traded options.

County NatWest, the securities subsidiary of National Westminster Bank, is losing 79 market-makers and settlements staff in an effort to

return its London equities business to profits. Markets in London and

Wall Street fought to remain calm in the wake of Tuesday's 666-point slump in Tokyo. Shares were marked down sharply as dealers reacted to a fall off more than 1,300 points in the Nikkei index.

 Grand Metropolitan, which owns J&B whisky, Smirnoff yodka and Metaxa brandy, is to buy a stake in a merged Remy Martin and Cointreau. Details, page 21



VIPs warned after letter bombs

are found at Aldershot base

By Stewart Tendler

Scotland Yard's anti-terrorist branch yesterday issued an urgent warning to prominent people and military personnel to be on their guard after the discovery of two IRA letter bombs in a military sorting office at Aldershot in

The bombs are the latest attack against military targets in an IRA campaign on the mainland which began in August 1988 and has taken the lives of a dozen soldiers.

The bombs in the latest attack were concealed in Jiffy bags posted to two senior officers; the devices are said to be capable of serious injury or death. Refusing to name the targets, the Army categorically denied one of the bombs was simed at Lieutenant-General Sir Peter de la Billiere, commanding officer of the Army's



Mr Churchill - Coleman: "Public must be vigilant." South-east district and a former SAS commander previously targeted by the IRA.

The two intended victims each had a rank of at least night on the possibility that

Commander George Churpolice nor Army would say chill-Coleman, Head of the why staff had become Anti-Terrorist Branch, said: suspicious.

The public must be vigilant when opening mail. If at all suspicious they are urged to contact police immediately Military personnel and those involved in public life who are connected with Northern Ireland affairs are particularly

vulnerable." The bombs were found in Hampshire police nor the South-east district headquarsome time and the change in
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members of the Army sports much of the garrison at Aldershot and yesterday neither

attempted robbery at a betting shop in which three men were shot dead by the Army last Saturday. The Army said only three

The bombs were in letters measuring 10in by 8in by 11/2 in; the addresses were typewritten on adhesive labels and and leave the parcel alone, post marks were obscured. Staff left the building while

explosives experts defused the devices and checked two other suspect envelopes which proved to be innocent.

The IRA has not used letter headquarters in the country. doned other strategies because the officers were addressed as The staff handle mail for of a lack of resources.

Thatcher may phase pay rises

By Robin Oakley Political Editor

pay review bodies for the Forces, senior civil servants, doctors and dentists, and nurses and other medical staff could be "staged" this year and paid in full only after an interval.

The Government is yet to receive the reports by the various bodies, but they are

Ambulance threat... Parliament ...

expected to propose increases in advance of those on offer to the ambulancemen, which the Government is determined will represent the final offer in their case,

in response to questions from Mr Neil Kinnock, Mrs Thatcher said the Govern-Continued on page 20, co! 7

In the Commons yesterday,

'Mad cow' disease

Gummer fights Bonn ban

yesterday by Mr John Gum-mer, Minister of Agriculture, of protectionism over its ban on British beef imports.

The ban was introduced spongiform encephalopathy (BSE) or "mad cow" disease, which has developed in British cattle over the past five years could be passed to humans, despite British assurances to the contrary.

During a visit to Devon where the country's beef and Gummer dismissed the German case as an evasion of the

"They have been told they

West Germany was accused who have produced evidence, realize that other people are in

running at 600 a month. Most are after is keeping our beef amid fears that bovine are in the south-west of England where the dairy and beef herd is concentrated but there have also been cases in North Yorkshire and Scotland.

Mr Gummer told his audience of West Country farmers: 'It is a disease we want to get

affected by the disease, Mr out of our herd but I am not worried about human health. It is quite clear to me our beef is safe. My own family eats
He said: "We have straightbeef and I have no worry forward proof that the Ger- about that. There is no evimans are taking this action to dence anywhere in the world keep British beef off the of BSE passing from animals to humans.

The Germans don't have an answer as to why they have refused to import." the business of getting us out of the market. The Germans did not base their ban on any Outbreaks of the disease are scientific evidence. What they out of Germany."

Yesterday Herr Wolfgang von Geldern, of the West German agriculture department, said that the ban affected only a quarter of British beef imports.

Speaking on BBC radio, he said that only meat containing bones was covered by the ban as that was a part of the cow where they believed the virus could be found. The ban was a cautionary measure, he said, because there was not enough information on the problem.

The legality of the German ban will be decided by the **European Commission within** the next few days after a "The odd thing about the meeting yesterday in Brussels

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'Tolstoy effect' starts rush to settle libel cases



By Frances Gibb Legal Affairs Correspondent

An unprecedented proportion of libel cases are suddenly being settled out of court, causing near-panic among solicitors who are rushed in at little notice to fill the High Court jury trial list.

Some 50 cases, half those on the list for jury trial this term, are under negotiation or have already been disposed of four days into the legal term. One newspaper lawyer predicted the courts would have dealt with all standby cases on the lists in two to three weeks.

One reason put forward in legal circles yesterday was fear of massive libel damages in the wake of the £1.5 million awarded to Lord Aldington before Christmas in the Tolstoy libel trial. Another view was that the settlements

show a change in attitude by the press, with pressure mounting for laws to control their activities and the report due later this year from the Calcutt committee on privacy. An official in the High Court listing office said yesterday

Barristers' video link.

it was impossible to say how many cases had actually settled until it was notified. She added that any one of the 100 or so cases in the "warned" list, the stand-by list for jury trial, should be ready. "Any jury case could be called tomorrow."

Mr Barton Taylor, head of the commercial litigation department at Russell Jones and Walker, a London firm of solicitors, which negotiated two libel settlements this week for plaintiffs,

welcomed the speedy settlements. "It is good for our clients, who receive a rapid redress of their grievance, and for all plaintiffs pursuing a libel action."

He thought a reason for the rush of settlements was that after publication of the press code of practice, and with the Calcutt report due, the press wanted to be seen to be putting its houses in order.

"The Calcutt committee will be watching for a change in attitude by the press. They can hardly go into court arguing the rightness of behaviour which under the code of practice they have said they would not do."

Delays between issue of writ and trial have been reduced from two or three years to several months under Mr Justice Michael Davies, the judge ap-pointed to take charge of the libel lists.

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Missing baby line takes several calls

Detectives searching for Alexandra Griffiths, the kidnapped baby, say that they received several calls yesterday on a special hotline set up after a woman telephoned St Thomas's Hospital in London to apologize for taking the child (Libby

They refused to say whether the same woman had called again, or to discuss the nature of the calls received on the special number, 01 582 0000. Other calls from the public are being followed up, and a poster of an artist's impression of 'Christine", who snatched the 36-hour-old baby on

Thursday night, has been distributed nationwide. A spokesman for St Thomas's said that the baby's 20-yearold mother. Miss Dawn Griffiths, "remains hopeful and is being supported by her family and WPC Nicky Pearse".

Oilfield jobs boost

Up to 1,000 jobs are to be created with the award of three contracts worth £90 million for the development of the North Sea Saltire field, Occidental Petroleum (Caledonia) announced yesterday (Kerry Gill writes).

The contracts are to build and install a production platform in the field estimated to contain reserves of about 100 million barrels of oil. It is expected they will be split between McDermott, of Ardersier on the Moray Firth, and Press Offshore, Tyneside.

The platform, which is expected to be operating by 1992, will be sited four miles from the old Piper Alpha installation which was destroyed in July, 1987, with the loss of 167 lives. Saltire lies about 120 miles north-east of Aberdeen. Mr John Brading, Occidental's UK chairman, said the field was one of four the company planned to develop.

Blood sample refused

Lord Bristol was fined £100 and banned from driving for three years yesterday for refusing to give a blood sample to police who suspected him of driving under the influence of drugs. Magistrates at Lowestoft, Suffolk, were told that Lord Bristol, aged 35, of Ickworth House, Suffolk, thought he could refuse because a breat test had already proved negative; his cocaine and heroin addiction had "improved" since a court appearance last year.

City housing plea

Cardiff council has appealed to the Welsh Office for an extra £42 million over the next three years to cope with its housing demands. The city fears hundreds of families on the council housing list could lose out to refugees arriving from war-torn Somalia. Six hundred refugee families are expected to settle in Cardiff, which has one of the biggest Somali communities in Britain. Councillors say they need a huge cash boost to ensure that local families do not suffer.

Singer's bomb plot

An amateur operatic singer who tried to blow up her former lover's wife with a home-made petrol bomb was yesterday put on probation for two years by Liverpool Crown Court. Anne Dennis, aged 35, of the Marina, Port Dinorwic, North Wales, disguised herself with a false beard as she planted the device, consisting of a plastic bottle and a bin-bag filled with petrol and two candles, which had gone out. She admitted attempted arson with reckless disregard for human life.

Severn link approved

Long-awaited proposals to build a second crossing over the Severn Estuary were approved yesterday by Mr Robert Atkins, the Minister for Roads and Traffic (Michael Dynes writes). The new crossing will run from the M4 in Avon, south of the Severn road bridge, roughly parallel with the Severn railway tunnel, rejoining the M4 near Magor in Gwent. The Government will be tabling a Bill shortly and the bridge should be built by the mid-1990s.

Tory rebels accept they face Hong Kong defeat By Philip Webster and Nigel Williamson

Conservative opponents of the or to virtually mone of the Government's Hong Kong package last night accepted that they are heading for defeat, with enough potential rebels being won over to secure the legislation. Labour leaders, however, were hardening their opposition to the plans.

preparing to tell Labour MPs that the only fair policy is to give rights of entry to all five lion Hong Kong residents

Mr David Waddington, the Home Secretary, promised on families would be granted passports, and that the figure would be written into the Bill, which will be introduced at Easter. A senior Tory rebel said lest night that fewer than 50 Conservatives would vote against the

Video link for lawyers and clients planned

By Frances Gibb Legal Affairs Correspondent

Communications between barristers, solicitors and their clients will be revolutionized under plans for a network of live closed-circuit television links shortly to go before the Bar Council for approval.

They would enable solicitors and their clients anywhere in England and Wales to speak to counsel by means of a live video-link without the time and expense of travelling to

The "video-conference" facilities, together with linked transmission equipment, would also allow documents to be displayed, edited and redrafted, and to be signed and

Council is awaiting final costings of the system from British Telecom. But if the plans are approved, it is hoped to install first one, and eventually up to five, video-conference links in the Inns of Court at an initial cost of £250,000.

Those would be linked with equipment expected to be installed over the next 18 months at 30 to 40 local chambers of commerce and, possibly, later at local law societies. In the meantime, the Lord Chan-

cellor's Department is to be approached about the possibility of legal aid covering legal advice given via the video links.

Mr David Farrer, OC, chairman

of the Bar services committee, who is putting the plans before the Bar Council, said: "It has the potential of greatly expanding our domestic

The second big advantage for the Bar was in boosting its market in Europe, the United States and Japan, Mr Farrer said.

It was a big bonus for clients to be able to choose the expert they wanted to consult and to "book 15 minutes' air-time" rather than to have to wait for an opinion to be drafted, he said, "People now are much more interested in discussion face to face rather than waiting for a written opinion."

The scheme, which Mr Farrer said

he was confident would win Bar Council backing, comes about after a successful one-off video-conference held in the summer between the chambers of Mr Sean Overend and a Chester solicitor, Mr John Goodman, and his client.

That, in turn, is a spin-off from a pilot project on video-conferencing in commerce and industry, promoted by Mr John Brebner, a London solicitor. To reach his clients, who are largely based outside Britain, he hit on the idea of using local chambers of commerce as video-conference centres. Those, he says, in effect then become extensions of businessmen's offices.

Mr Brebner said yesterday that

video links were now installed in three chambers of commerce, in London, Dorset and Chester, there were plans this coming summer for 30 to 40 more chambers, in Britain

and abroad, to have such links "Video-conferencing enables the solicitor to have a conference with counsel without travelling to London or other large regional centres so it represents a big time

and cost saving for the client." The Bar Council is also helping with a project on electronic communications between solicitors. barristers and the courts. Rank has produced a machine to be used with the video-link equipment to exchange documents within seconds

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Adams in secret talks with 'associates' of men shot by Army in betting shop robbery

Fourth raider 'escaped Falls Road killings'

From Edward Gorman, Irish Affairs Correspondent

betting shop robbery on

He said they had agreed to meet him in a darkened room, in the presence of a priest, and on condition their identities remained secret.

In a long statement dictated to Mr Adams and read out by him at a press conference, the men, members of an extended gang of petry thieves in West Belfast, said there were four people involved in the rob-bery, not three as the Army Also contradicting the Army version, they said the

replica weapons used were concealed when the robbers went into the betting shop, and when they came out and were shot without warning by

Mr Gerry Adams, MP for After two were killed on their West Belfast and president of way out the fourth ran back Sinn Fein, said he had held a inside, took off his gloves, series of secret meetings in the past two days with "associates" of the men killed by the Army in the Falls Road

hood and coat, threw away his replica weapon and lay on the floor with the customers.

He escaped in the confusion that followed.

The gang said it had been under surveillance for some days before the robbery and security forces had bugged a house where they lived.

The surveillance came after a secret deal between the gang and the police, through a third party, to hand back two weapons which gang members had acquired in last month. The weapons had originally been stolen from an unmarked police car outside a public ouse earlier in the month. Two of the victims, Eddie

Hale, aged 25, and Peter Thompson, aged 42, were buried next to each other after separate services in West At the funeral for Hale at



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vestigating leaks of confiden-Thomas Lyttle, aged 52, a

clerk of Sydney Street West in the Shankill area of Belfast, and four others appeared at Belfast Magistrates' Court on charges relating to confiden-

Unions try to calm 999 crews

By Tim Jones, Employment Affairs Correspondent.

crews at five stations in Essex

took strike action yesterday,

saying insurance cover had

been withdrawn. Ambulance

The unions said insurance

cover was also withdrawn

Dorset. More seriously, lead-

ers in north-east London deci-

ded yesterday to recommend a

strike ballot to a meeting of

sex, remained on strike.

Union leaders fought last the five unions, who believe week. The result of a ballot strike action as Mrs Margaret there would be no more men and women are staying money for crews. She told the strongly with the strategy that Commons that the National we have adopted since the chief ambulance officer, said Health Service offer was start." In spite of his plea, the service would cope with a asonable and good".

Mrs Thatcher's reiteration of her position came as Mr Roger Poole, chief negotiator for the union side, appealed to officers at Crawley, West Suscrews to maintain an accident and emergency service direct to the public "at all times". from staff and vehicles in

Faced with growing unrest among crews, who believe action must be stepped up if their 18-week strike is to succeed, Mr Poole said no strike call had been sanctioned by

night to prevent more am-bulance workers taking full gency cover is withdrawn. should be known this week. Local leaders said they were He said: "The overwhelm-Thatcher indicated again that ing majority of ambulance confident the crews would decide to take all-out action.

Mr Tom Crosby, London's strike but added that such action could cause confusion and lead to unnecessary de-

Mrs Thatcher said during Question Time that the ambulance workers should use established negotiating machi-nery to settle the dispute. She said the unions had a revised offer, costing £6 million, of between 9 per cent and 16.3 per cent, depending on loca-London shop stewards next tion and qualifications.

Ford plants face more strikes By Kevin Eason, Motoring Correspondent

Ford faces a loss of up to £30 million-worth of of new electronics teams. Ford wants to offer

output today, as thousands of workers shut down its main production plants in protest at the company's 10.2 per cent wage offer. The stoppage would bring its losses from wildcat strikes to more than £55 million this week.

Mass unofficial strikes are expected to hit assembly lines producing cars and vans, as well as engines and components distributed to Ford's European network. The 24-hour action, scheduled to start at

6am, is designed to increase the pressure on Ford managers as they recommence negotiations in London this morning in an attempt to settle the terms of a two-year wage deal for more than 32,000 hourly-paid workers.

It became clear last night that almost no part of the present 10.2 per cent offer would be accepted. Shop stewards said it was in-sufficient, and the most skilled men on the production lines have also been angered by the offer of increases of up to 20 per cent to a few key men who are being asked to become part

up to £54 a week extra to a small number of workers prepared to submit to examinations and join special manufacturing groups. They would perform such tasks as ma assembly line robots. Mr Arthur Barkien, an Amalgamated En-

gineering Union shop steward at Halewood. said: "They want us to train people to do our jobs in 30 days, and that undermines our skills." The Merseyside plant manufactures 1,100 Escorts and Orions per day, but it has been closed since Monday.

The main production centre at Desenham Essex, is expected to join the stoppage today. It produces 1,300 Fiestas and Sierras per day. More than 6,000 of the 11,000 employees are expected to refuse to work.

The Ford tractor plant at Basildon, Essex, which produces 175 tractors a day, will probably be at a virtual standstill. The parts division in Thurrock, Essex, and the Southampton van plant, will be hit too.

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Rolls-Royce challenged by US over long-haul engine

fiercest competition yet from a consortium of international aero engine builders determined to grab a big share of an anticipated market for 6,000 twin-engined super-jets to power the next generation ong-range airliners. Rolls-Royce's belief that it

can capture at least 30 per cent of the orders likely to be placed over the next 20 years by relying on further developments of its successful RB 211 family of jet engines, is being challenged by General Electric of America, which has teamed up with Snecma of France, MTU of West Germany and an as yet unnamed Japanese manufacturer, to build the world's biggest and most powerful aircraft engine.

Unveiling details yesterday of the \$2 billion development programme for the new engine, the GE 90, Mr Brian Rowe, General Electric's senior vice- president, threw

Rolls-Royce is to face its down the gauntlet to Rolls- clinched 174 orders. Engineers Royce. "Sooner or later to achieve the thrust which will be needed for these new aircraft we believe you will need to develop a new engine. We now believe we have the edge and are more than prepared for any competition." The giant new engine will have a diameter as big as the

> 95,000lb of thrust. It is being designed to be environmentally efficient by reducing the exhaust gas emis-sions by at least 33 per cent and to be so quiet it can slip into noise-conscious Gatwick or Heathrow at night without disturbing local res

fuselage of a Boeing 737 and

be capable of producing up to

Meanwhile Rolls-Royce, based in Derby, is sticking with its tried and trusted three-shaft RB 211 derivative, now known as the Trent, which it says has already beaten all targets and which, with a lower thrust has

are already working closely with Boeing in designing a further development of the engine with at least 80,000lb of thrust but without having to design and build a complete new core for the engine.

The battle for the engines on the new jets will be increased still further when Pratt and Whitney unveils its designs. The eventual winner is

likely to be the company which can show most easily and quickly that its engines are so reliable that they can be certificated to power an aircraft over large stretches of Singapore Airlines an-

nounced an order for up to 50 new long-range jets worth more than £5 billion. • Pan Am is offering a full refund to first-class passengers from London who can find something to complain about on its in-flight services to the United States...

explain Rover sale

Lord Young of Graffbam will answer allegations by a Com-mons committee today that he deliberately deceived Parliament and the European nission over the final terms of the £150 million sale of Rover to British Aerospace (Sheila Gunn writes).

For the first time, the former Secretary of State for Trade and ladustry will be questioned by MPs over the alleged £38 million in ers" offered to BAe in the final stages of negotiations to save the sale. Mr Gordon Brown, Lab-

our's trade and industry

sion over the Rover affair must now end. The sheer volume of the manswered questions is disturbing and scandalous." The all-party trade and

industry committee will hear from Professor Roland Smith. the BAe chairman, before calling Lord Young, who is deputy chairman of the Conservative Party, and Sir Brian Hayes, former permanent secretary at the Department of Trade and Industry.

Lord Young has refused to ippear before the Commons public accounts committee which is also investigating the spokesman, said yesterday: affair. It was the National

ing watchdog which reports to that committee, that first exposed the existence of extra "hidden subsidies" given to British Aerospace.

CORRECTION

A report yesterday of libel damages awarded to Mr Ste-Waldorf for an unfounded allegation in a book co-written by Mr Frank Cater, former head of the Flying Squad, should have made clear that the offending passage was added during editing, after the manuscript had left



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Night of terror on M25

Gang kicked man to death and ransacked houses, court is told

another and broke into two houses at gunpoint in a night of terror along the Surrey commuter belt, a jury was told

The three men from southmasks and were armed with handguns and knives. Their horrifying, Mr Julian Bevan, for the prosecution, told the bound with electric flex. Central Criminal Court.

The men, aged 21, 22, and 23. deny murder, attempted murder, robbery, and causing grievous bodily harm on December 15, 1988.

Mr Justice Auld made an order under the Contempt of Court Act that they must not be named or identified.

The men abandoned a stolen Spitfire sports car at a public house in Warlingham, Surrey, because it was too small, and waylaid Mr Peter Hurburgh, aged 57, a fencing contractor, and another man, aged 20, who were parked in an Austin Princess in a field.

Both men were dragged from the car at gunpoint. They were tied up and gagged. Mr Hurburgh was kicked and beaten by the robbers as he lay tied on the ground:

Mr Bevan said: "He had a heart condition and the shock cause him to have a heart attack. He was kicked to death

Before he died Mr Hur-

son, QC for the GMC, about a telephone conversation she

a transplant surgeon, on Mon-day evening after she had

given evidence to the hearing.

doctors who deny charges of

serious professional miscon-

duct in relation to alleged

Miss Kennedy was ques-

tioned about Mr Bewick's

that she had failed to find

documents relating to the tissue-typing of Mr Ferhat

Usta, one of four Turks said to

have been paid to donate kidneys. Mr Usta gave evi-dence earlier in the hearing.

Miss Kennedy was led from

the hearing in tears, but

returned to answer questions. She said that when she told Mr

Bewick that she could not find

the documents, he told her not

In her evidence on Monday, Miss Kennedy said that Mr

Bewick had been anxious to

obtain a kidney for transplant

the six-month sentence

ing to London for the hearing

of her appeal against sentence

reaction when she told him

payments to kidney donors.

A witness broke down in tears into Mrs CT, a private patient

at a hearing of the professional from Greece, after an earlier

conduct committee of the transplant operation failed.

General Medical Council Mrs C T's name had been

(GMC) in London yesterday. added to a tist of NHS

Miss Lesley Kennedy, a patients, although Miss Ken-laboratory technician at Guy's nedy was aware that she was in

Hospital, was being questact a non-entitled private tioned by Mr Roger Hender-patient.

telephone conversation she was asked by Sir Robert had with Mr Michael Bewick, Kilpatrick, chairman of the

A gang of robbers murdered telling the assailants that he son Timothy, aged 40. The one man, seriously wounded was not prepared to put up son was stabbed in the chest, with rough treatment.

His protests were met by orders to keep quiet. While his his parents. companion was lying face He dialled 999 but was so ill down in the grass Mr Hur- the emergency services could burgh "tried to make a run for only hear heavy breathing. east London wore balaclava it but was caught and dragged back by the laughing robbers call to the house, Mr Bevan who began kicking him as he offences near the M25 were cried out for help in the darkness. He was gagged and

> As be fought for breath, one attacker said, "Doesn't he make a good actor", and he was again repeatedly kicked about the head and body.

When the younger man, also tied up, heard petrol being splashed about and saw

6 Shock of vicious attack caused him to have a heart attack

the glow of a cigarette he feared the worst and blacked out. When he recovered consciousness, Mr Hurburgh's Austin Princess had gone. Realizing Mr Hurburgh was

raise the alarm. A "paltry" £10 had been taken from the younger man, Mr Bevan said.

dead, he ran to a cottage to

The robbers stole Mr Hurburgh's car and drove the five miles to Oxted where they broke into Stone Hall, the £500,000 home of Mr Richard Napier, a retired businessman, burgh began shouting and his wife Margaret and their

Yesterday Miss Kennedy

committee, whether when she

telephoned Mr Bewick she

had any concern other than

documents concerning Mr

what was going to happen to

me and to the doctors," she

"I assume by that you meant especially Mr Bewick," Sir Robert said. "Were you

concerned that the evidence

you had given might affect Mr

'Yes, I was," Miss Kennedy

A former president of the

Transplantation Society, an international body established

to draw up ethical guidelines

for the medical profession,

told the committee that he was

sale of organs by donors.

adamantly opposed" to the

He said that his society

favoured the engagement of

an independent assessor to

"I was concerned about

back and arm, and arteries were severed as he protected

He dialled 999 but was so ill Police managed to trace the said. "Mercifully, he lived."

The gang escaped with cash and jewellery in the family's Toyota car, and drove to the home of Mrs Rosemary Spicer at Fetcham. At gunpoint, they woke her and a man staying at the house, gagged them and ransacked the place, taking jewellery, credit cards and other property. Their cars, Mrs Spicer's Renault and her friend's Cavalier, were both driven off by the gang as they returned to their London base with the loot, Mr Bevan said.

"There can be no doubt the same three robbers committed the robberies - one only has to follow those cars."

Two gang members were arrested within a few days when police raided a house where they were living and found stolen property. The third man was arrested on January 6, 1989, in possession

They had tried to destroy the two cars belonging to their last victims because of the publicity given to their crimes. The vehicles were set alight on a council subbish dump, the court was told.

determine whether undue

pressure had been brought to bear on any donor not directly

related to the recipient in a

Professor Peter Morris, Nuffield Professor of Surgery

at Oxford, said that he had

been horrified to read news-

paper reports last year about

alleged payments to donors in

He said he thought that it

was something that had been

stamped out after cases in

Asked by Mr Henderson

hether reputable surgeons

believed that the role of the

surgeon could properly be

limited to that of a technician.

so as to exclude him from all

preliminary investigations and interviews, he replied that

reputable was to be applied.

than just a technician.

acceptable. "No," Professor Morris.

Sentence quashed

Jailed mother happy to be home

transplant operation.

Prisoners rioted over soccer goal Witness in tears over talk By Mark Souster

Mr Mark Collins, a pen

danced with the Princess of Wales

yesterday during a visit to a charity

organization in the east London. The princess joined Mr Collins, aged 69, a retired bank messenger, and other

dancers on the floor at Toynbee Hall,

the Help the Aged senior care and

leisure centre in Commercial Street,

Aldgate. The princess, patron of Help

More than 90 prisoners at the Dartmoor top security prison rioted when a goal was dison telephone with surgeon allowed during an inmates' football match, it was disclosed yesterday.

One man was injured when concrete slabs were broken up and hurled through windows overlooking the recreation yard. The incident, which took place last Saturday, was the worst for two years, according to Mr John May, the prison's governor. The cost of damage was estimated

A dozen prisoners who ignored orders to return to their cells were interviewed by the governor. They will face the Board of Visitors, charged with various offences, this when a prisoner argued with a prison officer who was refereeing a football match, over a disallowed goal. Allegedly, he then assaulted the officer. He was sent off, and trouble flared as he was led away, Mr May

the answer was no, if the term an hour. "One prisoner in his cell Professor Morris said that was hit by a flying stone which he would expect the leader of a went through the window and team to have fully assessed the condition of both donor and cut his eye. The staff managed recipient, and to have full the situation very well, and knowledge of their medical luckily we had our full comcondition if he was to be more plement of prison officers on

said. The disturbance lasted

duty," Mr May said. Mr Henderson asked "It could have been a very whether he would regard the nasty incident. This is the first sort of practices described as time in two years that there has been any significant damage to the prison." I dis-The hearing continues approve very strongly of the demonstration."

Local people are the key to regeneration, report says

By Charles Knevitt, Architectural Correspondent

prise Scheme, sponsored by The Times, the Royal Institute of British Architects and Business in the Community.

the Aged, was welcomed by Mr John

Profume, the former Cabinet min-

ister, who is chairman of the charity.

Toynbee Hall was established more

than 100 years ago by the economist

Arnold Toynbee to care for the disadvantaged. The princess later visited Outset Services Globetown, a

back-up unit for the local neighbour-

Called Breaking the Deadlock - Releasing the Energy, the report contains the findings of 10 working parties who met at last year's award cere-mony conference, at which the Prince of Wales, patron of the scheme, was the principal speaker.

Dr Tony Gibson, the editor of the report and director of the Neighbourhood Initiatives Foundation, said yesterday that local people were the key "Their investment, their 'swe- be devolved to local commu- 30L; £2.50)

development projects will be and common sense, the time launched today when Lord they give at the expense of Scarman announces the fifth family life is the yeast which annual Community Enter- makes the dough rise. Without

money and material resources provided by outside bodies can prove a soggy

meration, that decision-making should Leasower

A report with 23 recom- at equity', their determ- nities, through parish councils mendations for community ination, their local knowledge or neighbourhood development trusts; that training should be set up to enable the environmental professions to learn from local residents and vice versa; and that the best use be made of resources.

Dr Gibson said: "For ever community enterprise which survives, there are scores which are strangled in infancy by what Prince Charles called the 'Cat's cradle of red tape which chokes this country'.' The conference was at-

tended by more than 300 delegates, including local and central government officers and the private sector.

Breaking the Deadlock -Releasing the Energy (Neigh-bourhood Initiatives Foundation, Chapel House, 7 Gravel Lightmoor, TF4

Royal dance for East End pensioner | Muslim killed making bomb

By Stewart Tendler Crime Correspondent

A young French Muslim blew himself up as he built a book bomb in his London hotel room, an inquest was told

yesterday. Det Supt Christopher Bird, of Scotland Yard's anti-terrorist branch, told the Westminster coroner that there was a hint that Moustapha Mazeh was associated with a Middle Eastern terrorist organization, although the target for his bomb was not known.

Dr Paul Knapman, the coroner, recorded a verdict of accidental death and said: "I find it very difficult to express much sympathy for this man." After Mazeh died, a Beirut-

based group said he was the first victim to the cause of killing Salman Rushdie, the author sentenced to death in the Islamic world over his book The Satanic Verses. Dr Knapman was told that

Mazeh, aged 21, was born in Conakry, Senegal, Republic of Guinea, and held a French passport. He had moved to the village of Tarfelsay, outside Beirut, with his mother and father, a Lebanese business-man, in 1987 or 1988.

Last July, he told his parents he was going to Beirut to see friends and look for a job. They never saw him again.

He went to The Netherlands, arriving in Britain on a Harwich ferry two days later on July 22. He stayed in two hotels in London, the second being the Beverley House Hotel, Paddington, where he died on August 3.

The inquest was told that a few minutes before the blast, a member of the hotel staff had knocked on his door to ask if he wanted his room cleaned. Mazeh called out "No, no", Mr Bird told the hearing that Mazeh was killed as he assembled the device.

Soon after the explosion, there was a second blast, probably caused by the heat exploding a spray cannister.

Dr Ian West, the patholo-gist, said Mazeh's body was badly burnt: "The majority of damage was to his head and it was typical of somebody crouched over an explosive device. I have seen it so many

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and had known nothing of what happened the day before. As she left the High Court with her mother, Mrs Marjorie Sylvester, and a friend carrying the baby wrapped in a yellow shawl, the unmarried mother, aged 19, smiled but declined to comment about her prison ordeal before being



Miss Scott, with her daughter Alesha, being kissed by her mother, Mrs Sylvester, after being released from prison. driven away in a taxi. Mr stomach upset, a bit of di-

Green said that during their arrhoez. There's a lot of it time in prison Tracey and the baby had lost weight and that Tracey had become very sullen. She found prison harrowing and the food inedible.
"Tracey has had a bit of a ment about her

going around in the prison,"

"She has asked me to thank

Judge Pickles, aged 64, who has been previously reproved Lord Lane and the other

everyone who has supported her," Mr Green said. "She says her faith in British justice has been restored." She was very bitter towards Judge Pickles, who sentenced her to six months youth custody on January 2 for theft, and whose handling of the case was criticized by the appeal Judge Pickles had said that men could not escape

had not done so. Lord Lane said that Judge Pickles seemed to have been more concerned with the pub-

lic import of what he was doing and saying than with the justice of it. Miss Scott, who confessed that she had allowed supermarket customers to walk out

"She hopes the highlighting of her case will direct attention to other mothers and babies

hearing, Lord Lane told Miss Scott, of Longhill Road, Huddersfield, West York-

imprisonment by deliberately becoming pregnant, although he accepted that Miss Scott

with goods worth about £4,000 without paying, felt there was no need for him to send her to

who are in prison," Mr Green At yesterday's brief court

shire, that the sentence passed by Judge Pickles was "not correct" and she should not have been "put inside".

by Lord Lane for his rulings, is on holiday and unavailable for

Farms count the cost of 'mad cow' disease

Farmers are finding that "mad cow" disease appears to strike with no reason, usually singling out individual animals among scores in similar apparent health and fitness.

Mr Colin Barker, who runs the 150-acre Seavy Slack Farm at Stape, near Pickering, in the North Yorkshire moors, said his herd had included a fiveyear-old friesian, a good milker who never caused problems.

"She suddenly became vicious and unpredictible. You could be milking her normally all week then she would kick out without warning, sometimes just because you were walking past her," he said.

"She became nervous and, sometimes, when we were walking the cows back from their fields to the farm for milking, a passing car would spook her and off she would gallop up the road." The character change was

the first indication that the cow, which had earlier given birth to a bull calf, was the victim of bovine spongiform encephalopathy (BSE). Mr Barker said: "It came out of the blue and made me realize that if it could happen to me it could happen to anybody. It was nothing we had done wrong. I had heard and read about the disease of course but at the time I didn't know of any other cases in our area. Since then, we have heard of it in the herds of other farmers."

Since BSE was first diagnosed in 1985, 9,000 cattle from the national herd of about four million have been put down after being infected. Con-



Cow carcasses being destroyed to stop the spread of "mad cow' disease, and (right) Mr Colin Baker with cattle on his farm in the North Yorkshire moors where one cow was infected. convinced the disease could ing her into a corner of the with the rest coming from

firmed cases are said to have doubled in the past six months. There have been 272 cases in North Yorkshire since the disease became notifiable in November 1986.

BSE is confined to Britain but fears that it might transfer from animals to humans has led to a damaging reaction in Europe. West Germany ban-ned British beef in a move that led to a 14-country boycott, ing the multi-million pound export trade and the domestic food market.

Britain exports 8,642 tons of beef worth £27,963,000 to West Germany each year. An-

101,136 tons, worth £238 million. Mr Barker, aged 35, who farms in partnership with his brother-in-law, Mr Eric Barrett, has been at Seavy Slack for 14 years. He was watching developments in Brussels yesterday with interest.

He received £370 compensation for the loss of his cow. Like many farmers, he is mystified by the virus which causes a progressive degenera-tion of the brain. At first, he said, it was thought to have been spread by infected feed.

Experts now believe it was hereditary. The diseased cow's calf is being fattened for beef, nual beef exports to the EC are but Mr Barker said he was

not spread from animals to The virus also attacked just one cow out of a herd of 160 at

the 400-acre Stileway Farm of Mr Ralph Baker at Glastonbury, Somerset. "It happened quite out of the blue about three months ago," he said. "One of my best

milkers seemed to go lame and couldn't walk properly. We thought she had probably pulled a ligament someho and called in the vet. He said straight away it was BSE."

"We carried out basic tests, like making her go through

pen, when she immediately started to get nervous, her tail and ears twitching. The vet said she should go straight away. I was staggered, but he gave her an injection to put her to sleep and then a big overdose of something to finish her off.

"She fitted exactly into the kind of animal likely to go down with BSE," Mr Baker claimed. "She was six and it was about six years ago when the feed manufacturers increased the content of the protein feed to 6 per cent of meat and bone meal. It was

imported fishmeal, but a weak pound that year meant they increased the proportion of home-produced meal and that was when the affected material got into the feed." The virus has an estimated

incubation period of six to seven years, although it has been found in cattle under three. Mr Peter Rudman, animal welfare advisor for the National Farmers' Union, said there were no tests to detect the illness before it took hold.

normally around 1 per cent taking a blood test has no animal to animal.

effect at all," he said. Mr Baker received £400 in compensation and an NFU

interest to report a case. Mr Baker said: "It was not my fault. It was not bad animat husbandry or inefficiency. It was something over which I had no control. Because it has not occurred anywhere else in my herd, I am convinced it was that particular batch of

insurance policy topped up the cow's full value of £800.

"Not every one has taken out cover," he said. "The compen-

sation should be increased.

That way it's in everyone's

"The virus produces no was that particular batch of anti-bodies in the animal so feed and is not passed from

positions in the consultant's departments.

The allegations against Dr Darnell had included failures of management and budget control, and to observe appoint-

Mr Milmo said yesterday: "With great

regret, we have to say this is the end of the

Mr Stuart Morgan, representing Dr Darnell, of Littleover, Derbyshire, said

there had been insufficient reason to

dismiss Dr Darnell, who had suffered

procedural unfairness in the disciplinary

action against him. He said a professional

committee had advised the Secretary of

State for Health that dismissal was an

After the hearing Dr Darnell, who has

worked in the health service since it was

founded in 1948, said that if he had not lost

his job he would now be earning £38,000 a

year. He had been living on an overdraft

He said that he was determined to fight

to get his job back. "It has destroyed my

since his dismissal was confirmed.

ments procedures.

extreme course.

Move to irradiate food 'is foolish'

By David Sapsted

Claims of serious flaws in the scientific studies on which the Government based its decision to permit the sale of irradiated food in Britain will be made today by American researchers.

The disclosures come in the wake of a call yesterday by the Women's Institute. It said that much of the research had caused "considerable concern" and urged the Government not to lift the ban on irradiated food until more scientific studies are done.

Epidemiologists and biostatisticians at New Jersey Medical School say that the existing research - on which America's Food and Drug Administration approved food irradiation - ignored the unexplained deaths of laboratory animals, dismissed side-effects, pointed to vitamin deficiencies and, in some cases, involved virtually worthless experiments.

Dr Donald Louria, who headed the American investigation, says on Channel 4's Dispatches programme this evening that the British decision to allow irradiation at 10 times the level permitted in the US is unbelievably foolish.

The Food Safety Bill, at present before Parliament and empowering Mr John Gummer, the Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, to introduce food irradiation. has been criticized by con-sumer groups. They fear the process could be used to "clean up" unfit food. It has also been questioned by the British Medical Association. The American investigation

of five research programmes on irradiation shows that in one study, laboratory dogs suffered side-effects such as enlarged spleens and lymph nodes but that these were dismissed as meaningle another, litters of rats fed on g irradiated wheat died. In two others, the radiation doses were so low as to make the research irrelevant, according to Dr Louria.

Mr David Maclean, parliamentary secretary at the ministry, insists irradiation is safe. "We have checked it for ourselves for safety. Our expert advisory committee has been looking at it for seven

Jenny Seagrove the actress, member of Parents for Safe Food, says in tonight's programme that irradiation could be the thalidomide of the 90s.

Guidelines issued to speed up doctors' disciplinary cases to get medical science officers into senior

By Craig Seton and Jill Sherman Government guidelines are to be issued to

health authorities in the next two weeks which will specify time limits on disciplinary procedures against hospital doctors for the first time.

The Department of Health is drawing up the long-awaited guidance after criticism about delays in settling disciplinary charges against doctors. The present procedures mean they can

be suspended on full pay for several years before their case is settled. The guidance will follow closely recom-

mendations compiled by a joint working party set up between the Government and the medical profession in 1987. The group, which reported in 1988, ted that more cases should be settled locally to avoid the need for lengthy

disciplinary procedures at regional and

national level

Where a full disciplinary case did proceed, the group said it should be carried out under strict time limits so that it was settled within nine months of dismissal.

have four months to prepare their case, and the health authority would have a further two months to submit its response. The professional appeals committee

Doctors appealing against dismissal would

would then be given three months to hear the case and make a decision.

If the case was referred to the Secretary of State for Health, he would have to make

a decision within three months. The working party recommended that the whole procedure should take no longer than a year after the employee was given notice of dismiss

The guidelines being compiled would apply to cases like that of Dr Royce Darnell, aged 60, senior consultant microbiologist at Derby Royal Infirmary, who received full pay for six years following his suspension in 1982 until his dismissal by Trent Regional Health Authority was confirmed by the Secretary of State for

Dr Darnell, who was accused of mismanagement, claimed he was unfairly dismissed when he took his case to an industrial tribunal in Nottingham on

Exercise in your armchair on cold, dark winter evenings!

A political party, founded by three GPs, will be launched today in Mrs Margaret Thatcher's Finchley constituency to oppose the Government's health service reforms (Jill Sherman writes). The NHS Supporters Party intends to field at least 50 candidates to oppose key Conservative seats in all by-elections and the next general election, including Finchley and Mr Kenneth Clarke's seat in Rusbcliffe.Dr Judy Gilley, a co-founder and a GP in Finchley, said yesterday the aim of the party was "to defend and improve" the NHS for all its staff and patients.

Monday. The tribunal reserved its decision to a later date when the hearing ended

The doctor's case, which began with complaints about him 10 years ago, was handled under a department circular to health authorities about the procedures to be followed in disciplinary matters.

Trent Regional Health Authority said yesterday that the case, which had gone twice to the High Court, had cost the

National Health Service several hundred thousand pounds. "The figure is enormous. It has been a

very complex case. We would like them to be very much shorter and streamlined. They are too long and expensive and it is totally unsatisfactory to everybody."

Dr Damell said yesterday that he would continue to try to clear his name and win back his job, for which he was paid £30.000

Mr Andrew Browne, the chairman of the industrial tribunal, said that he and his two colleagues would study all the paperwork arising from Dr Darnell's claim before giving a judgement.

Earlier Mr John Milmo, QC, for the regional health authority, said an investigative panel set up by the authority to examine complaints against Dr Darnell had found no basis for his contention that a political struggle had been waged against him at the laboratory.

The tribunal was told that Dr Darnell was a victim of a political campaign, which included moves by the Association of Scientific, Technical and Managerial Staffs

Banks appeal against ruling on London council's £6bn gamble

By Frances Gibb, Legal Affairs Correspondent

challenged the ruling that a and Fulham of "cynical op-London council's gamble with £6 billion of ratepayers' money was illegal.

Mr Gordon Pollock, QC, for the banks, told the Court of Appeal that local councils were entitled to deal in the speculative interest rate swaps market, if they acted prudently.

The Audit Commission for Local Authorities in England and Wales had stated as recently as July 1987 that swaps were "a legitimate tool of debt management", Mr Pollock said.

The banks are seeking to overturn a Divisional Court ruling last November. The - which threatens to land banks with huge losses was made at the request of Mr Anthony Hazell, district auditor for the London Borough of Hammersmith and Fulham. Mr Hazell intervened after

the Labour-run council was accused of speculating with ratepayers' cash.

The ruling was welcomed by the council, which hopes to avoid having to pay more than £100 million it owes to banks and financial institutions after making massive losses on swap and option deals.

The council had admitted during an 11-day bearing that it embarked on an exercise outside its powers when it operated its capital markets fund account between 1987 and 1989. Mr Pollock yes-

Five big City banks yesterday terday accused Hammersmith portunism" in the way it had "leapt upon the bandwagon" of the legal action taken by the district auditor.

He said it was to the council's advantage for the transactions to be declared ultra vires, as this would allow them to retain any proceeds they had made while rejecting calls for the payment of losses they might have made.

"Because of the way interest rates move there is at least a potential for considerable loss for the councils if interest rates stay at the levels which they He said between 70 and 90

local authorities had engaged in such transactions since 1982, although none had come close to the level of activity of Hammersmith and Fulham. Mr Pollock, representing the Midland Bank, Security Pacific National Bank NA,

Chemical Bank and Mitsubishi Finance International, accused the Divisional Court of taking too narrow an approach on the issue. He called for its decision. which threatens banks with

huge losses from their transactions with local authorities, to be quashed. Barclays Bank is also fighting for the ruling to be

overturned. Mr Pollock told Sir Stephen Brown, President of the Fam-

Sir Stephen Brown: Figures difficult to comprehend.

that it was "unrealistic" to pretend local authorities could not use swap instruments for their debt management

Counsel said that until 1988 the general belief was that interest-rate swaps were a tool of debt management and investment.

It was not until mid-1988 that "some disquiet arose among auditors as to the way in which some of these instruments were being used by local authorities".

The proper question to be asked was "whether or not local authorities had the capacity in general to enter into interest-rate swap transactions where they do so for purposes which are properly connected with their borrowing and investment". Counsel said it was accepted

that such transactions could ily Division, and Lords Jusbe used for speculation and tices Nicholls and Bingham gambling. Any organization The appeal hearing is pected to last two weeks.

money had a need to manage that activitity and wished to manage it with a number of

Those objectives were to manage it as efficiently as possible, to minimize costs if you were a borrower and maximize returns if you were a lender.

Looking at the matter from a purely financial point of view was, he said, to dispute the proposition that debt and investment management, involving interest rate swaps, was "useful and desirable".

Mr Pollock said the banks had always accepted that Hammersmith and Fulham "threw themselves into the market with a degree of enthusiasm that was in marked contrast to other local authorities ... It was simply part of a money-making scheme".

The Divisional Court simply did not have the evidence for it to reach "the global conclusion" that all swaps engaged in by councils were improper,

Mr Pollock said the interestrate swap market had grown enormously since 1982. Although all the figures involved were "guesstimates" its no-tional capital value now amounted to "two trillion American dollars".

With a smile of bafflement, Sir Stephen said the courts had grown used to dealing with billions but these figures were difficult to comprehend. The appeal hearing is exBritain a seem, a seem of seem

Field gives 'Militant' file to Labour

By Nicholas Wood, Political Correspondent

Mr Frank Field yesterday submitted evidence of alleged Militant infiltration of Labour parties on the Wirral to the party's National Executive Committee.

His 150-page dessier will be considered by Labour chiefs next week. Mr Field, who was deselected by his Birkenhead constituency party last mouth, hopes it will lead the executive to mount a full investigation into what he regards as the pear-collapse of democratic Labour politics in the Wirral.

The evidence will go before the executive's organization subcom on Monday and then the full national

executive on Wednesday. The Labour MP, chairman of the all-party Commons social services committee, believes that an investigation would lead to a re-run of the ballot in which he won a majority of individual votes but was undone by the union block vote.

Mr Field said that about 20 people had helped him to compile his dossier, which covered the reselection contest, the activities of constituency parties in parts of the Wirral, and the conduct of the Labour group on Wirral council.

It dealt with a "much bigger issue" than his own difficulties, and ranged

across events in three constituencies. "My dossier contains a great deal of information about the breakdown of traditional democratic procedures in part of the area I represent," Mr Field said.

"We want action soon because we have local elections coming up and I am anxious that when people vote for Labour candidates they are voting for the genuine article."

Mr Field, who was replaced as the candidate by Mr Paul Davies, a Trans-port and General Workers' Union official, declined to say whether his rival

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Schools warned that Michelin Man figures in sale of automobile art 'bargain' equipment might drain funds

By David Tytler, Education Editor

School governors were given a sire a fast buck out of the video which would be availwarning yesterday that they education market. could waste thousands of pounds on unsuitable equipment, from computers to naper and pencils, bought from unscrupulous salesmen.

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Schools, which spend about £300 million a year on equip- other environments but which ment through local authorities, will be able to buy direct from manufacturers as heads able quality, or which may and governors take over their even be dangerous in school day-to-day running, handling large sums of money.

A 450-pupil primary school, for example, will be responsible for an annual budget of about £500,000.

Mr Michael Page, of Acorn Computers, said: "To a naive governor the deal may look very good, but it could end up costing the school several thousand pounds, perhaps 50 per cent or more of their available funds."

He was speaking at the launch of a code of conduct published by the British Educational Equipment Association and backed by the Department of Education and

Mr Page said that some computer manufacturers sold equipment to schools which was totally unsuitable for their needs. "Governors can end up spending a lot of money on something which does not prove useful to the school."

Mr Dominic Savage, director of the association, said: The freedom to purchase will encourage many unscrupulous companies and many more

"There will be pressures from advertising and salesmen and companies outside sonally involved, and where a the true educational industry, to purchase products which

may well be appropriate in do not meet educational standards, which are not of suit-

"There will be a temptation, and perhaps an enthusiasm from some governors, to buy locally, and at a cheap price, furniture designed for home use which will last no time at

 Unscrupulous will be encouraged to make a fast buck 9

all in a school environment." Mr Savage said he knew of one school which bought large quantities of cheap test tubes which, if put over a Bunsen burner, cracked or exploded. He said the code would make clear the suitable use of equipment and would publish any necessary safety precautions. • Governors are to be given extra training in recruiting

teachers, Mrs Angela Rum-bold, Minister of State at the Department of Education and Science, said yesterday. She told the Engineering Council's national workshop on school governor training in

able in the autumn. "Staff selection is an area in which many governors will be perwrong decision can have major and long-term consequences for a school. But many governors will have no experience of staff selection. or experience gained in a very

different context." A city technology college is to be opened in Corby, North-amptonshire, sponsored for £2 million by a local farmer and other businessmen.

The main sponsor, Mr Hugh de Capell Brooke, is a Cambridge graduate and qualified teacher. He said: "The intensive use of technology at work places outs ever increasing demands on training standards and requires new skills from the educational system.

"This new school will demonstrate what can be achieved with a different approach, and will act as a catalyst for improvement of educational standards."

Corby technology college will be built on a new site near planned residential development and will open in September 1991. There will be five forms of entry, providing 900 co-educational places.

There are three city technology colleges, at Kingshurst, near Birmingham, Notting-ham, and on Teesside; eight more will open this year and next. At least a further eight projects have been announced companies and many more London that the Government with firm opening dates in mascrupulous salesmen to de-was spending £150,000 on a 1990 and 1991.

Whitfield, chairman of the

Security man's bill of £17,000 on chatline

A night-watchman ran up a telephone bill of nearly £17,000 in three months talking on a chattine to while away the time.

Worcester Crown Court was told yesterday that he was responsible for most of the calls made to the chatline while on duty at the Redditch premises of AFG, one of 200 branches in a car dealership which is a subsidiary of Nissan UK.

Roger Cole, aged 38 of Redditch, admitted two offences of obtaining a telephone service by deception. The case was adjourned for social inquiry reports.

Mr Peter Arnold, for the prosecution, said: "We could not exclude the possibility of a few unauthorized calls being made by someone else, but the vast majority must have been

made by the defendant." After the case it was disclosed that a seven-month police investigation discovered that many of the calls were made to a lonely housewife in Stoke-on-Trent while her husband, a lorry driver,

WES EWZY. Cole fooled her into believing that he was Dave Berry, a 1960s pop star. He gave her his girl friend's telephone number as the number of his fan club, posted her a photo-graph of Dave Berry signed by mself and even wrote a song

He promised to arrange for her to attend some of his concerts and occasionally telephoned from the firm's office and pretended he was speak-

ing from Barbados. The calls were billed at the rate of 25p a minute and the longest lasted for more than an hour and a half.

Verbal skill 'should be on curriculum'

Communication skills should and writing Professor Richard be included in the National Curriculum, according to a trust who wrote the introduc-report published yesterday. tion to the report and is

Society is in danger of emeritus professor of edusuffering a "greenhouse ef- cation at Aston University, fect" disaster which will leave people unable to relate to each other on a human level, it

The report, Talking Families, published by the National Family Trust, a reg-istered charity, and British Telecom, found that parents, especially mothers, are spending less time at home with their children, who are growbasic emotions.

"Not to communicate, not to touch or give any signals is not to relate; while not to relate is, in a very significant sense, not to be human," the report says.

It suggests that both verbal and non-verbal skills need to be given more space in the

Although the Government is deciding whether speaking and listening should be given equal importance to reading

tion to the report and is urged that the whole issue of social ecology should not be overlooked "There is a huge yawning gap in the National Curricu-lum which is too concerned

the education of the head. It is no use understanding all about mathematics and English if we neglect understanding ourselves." He added: "The National

effectively for communications skills. We are in danger of having a greenhous effect on social ecology."

The report, based on interviews with a sample of 200 people nationally, found that women use the telephone more often than men.

Talking Families (National Family Trust, 101 Queen Vic-toris Street, London EC4P 4EP, and British Telecom, £50; £10 for non-commercial organiz-

Renoir's 'Au Moulin' may test world record Sotbeby's could break the "An Moulin", Renoir's first world record for a work of art attempt at a hig crowd scene, by offering one of Renoir's was painted in 1876 from the by offering one of Renoir's most famous subjects in a New window of a studio in the

nearby Rue Cortot, which he

rented to achieve the view. The subject is famous through a bigger version at the Musee d'Orsay, Paris. However, art historians believe the Whitney version, which mea-sures 31in by 44in, was actually painted on the spot. ney (1904-1982), the former United States Ambassador to the Court of St James and Prior to the sale on May 16, the painting will be flown on a promotional tour to major

capitals around the world.

It is the second genuine confered last November. In spite breaking the record because

By Sarah Jane Checkland Art Market Correspondent of claims by Mr David Nash, Renoir is the most popular

the Sotheby's expert, that it was "the most important twentieth-century picture ever to come up at auction", it million (£26.5 million). Mr Nash is more reticent

Mr John Baddeley, sale organizer of the Khachadourian Collection of automobile art, with a cast of Michelin Man and examples of the collection of more than 500 posters, paintings, prints, models and trophies, which is being offered privately for sale by Sotheby's. It is expected to fetch more than £1 million.

about the Renoir, simply describing the work as "the quintessential Impressionist tender to Van Gogh's record, painting". However, the the first being Picasso's "An concensus yesterday was that Lapin Agile," which was of-it does stand a chance of

Impressionist in Japan, where buyers seem limitless. A brother of Joan Whitney

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Payson, the one-time owner of "Irises" and "Au Lapin Ag-ile", Mr John Hay Whitney was a major art benefactor, becoming a trustee of the Museum of Modern Art, New York, in 1930, its president in 1941 and chairman from 1946 to 1956. From 1961 to 1979, be was a trustee of the National Gallery of Art, Washington. Gordon's daughter.

SALEROOM Mr Whitney bought "La Mon-lin" from Knoedler and Company, the dealers, in 1929 when he was in his twenties. It is being sold for "estate planning purposes".

• A 10½in silver model of Sun

CINZANO

Chariot, the legendary raceborse, presented to Sir Gordon Richards, the jockey, in 1954, raced past its £1,000 estimate to £5,940 at Sotheby's Chester vesterday.

The model, by Garrard and Co, the London silversmith, was bought by Mr William Paton-Smith, of Shropshire, Sir Gordon's home county. He said the price was "extremely good value". The underbidder was Mrs Marjorie Read, Sir

Flying doctors 'could save hundreds'

By Thomson Prentice, Science Correspondent

doctor" helicopters could save hundreds of accident victims every year who die before reaching hospital, a surgeon told a conference on head injuries yesterday.

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"Au Moulin de la Galette",

which shows weekend rev-

ellers at the open-air dance

hall of that name in Mont-

martre, is being sold by the estate of Mr John Hay Whit-

publisher of the International

Herald Tribune. It is estimated

The record is \$53.9 million

(£30.2 million) for Van Gogh's

"Irises", paid by Mr Alan

Bond, the Australian busi-

at \$40 to \$50 million.

The first such helicopter, based on a hospital roof and station in London in June It can be scrambled in two minutes and can reach any part of the city or section of the M25, the capital's orbital motorway, within 10 minutes. Casualties can then be flown

to one of more than 80 Thames Valley hospitals. The aim is to exploit what doctors call the "golden hour" - the time between serious injury and skilled hospital treattant surgeon at the London the whole country with an Hospital, Whitechapel, where emergency helicopter netmedical rescues.

copters," he told the ference, organized at the London Hospital by the College of Occupational Therapists.

"We know that at least 5,000 people a year die from accident injuries and that 30 per cent of those deaths are preventable. These are patients who die before we can

get them to hospital. "It is our obligation to show that fast transport of severely ment, when many patients injured people is a winner and bleed to death or die from to persuade the Government bleed to death or die from to persuade the Government operating costs of a single age" to secure et blocked breathing passages. that it is worthwhile. There is helicopter and its medical quality services.

A national network of "flying Mr Richard Earlam, a consul- a case to be made for covering team are, however, several . More patients are being

The helicopter, with a small with medical specialists on Europe to do this. West Germedics, could provide life-constant standby, will go into many has 35 such heli-saving care at the accident scene and resuscitation and support during transportation, which would be at speed and in relative comfort.

"The golden hour for the trestment of trauma includes response and transport time, both of which must be kept as short as possible."

The Department of Health is paying for the helipad. It ation of Health Authorities he will evaluate the project over said that if there were too three years before deciding whether to extend it. The they would have no "lever-

million pounds a year. Health authorities will have the helicopter will be based, said yesterday that Britain "was a Third World country" cover England and Wales, he is use of helicopters for said.

Work." Only four or five such to merge into larger units and all hospitals should become cover England and Wales, he said. a leading health policy analyst "We are virtually the last in team of specialists and para- said yesterday (Jill Sherman writes).

> the Ku 's Fund Collec it would be a disaster if 190 district health authorities, an indefinite number of GPs and over a hundred local authoriunder an internal market, as the reforms propose.

> Speaking at a conference held by the National Associmany individual purchasers age" to secure efficient, high-

treated in the NHS despite a 5 per cent cut in beds, according to figures published yesterday by the Department of Health.

The latest statistical bulleting shows that in the year ending March 31, 1989, there was a 1 per cent increase in in-patient writes). admissions and day cases Mr Gordon Best, director of treated, from 7.5 to 7.6 mil-More However, in the same period the average number of beds available fell from 297,000 to 283,000.

The rise in numbers treated ties were all buying services is almost entirely due to a reduction in the time patients spend in hospital and a rise in

In 1979 the average length of stay for an acute medical procedure was 11.2 days, falling to 8.2 days in 1987/88. Similarly the average geriatric admission fell from 77.5 days in 1979 to 41.4 days.

24-hour security watch on bridge to deter suicide attempts



By Peter Davemport

A council criticized by a coroner for failing to make safe a bridge from which 47 people have fallen to their deaths in the past 20 years posted 24-hour security guards yesterday in an attempt to prevent more deaths.

The guards will patrol the imposing Valley Bridge, Scarborough, after the fourth death fall from the bridge this year.

The police formally named the latest victim as Miss Christine Mary Collins, aged 45, of Cottingham, Hull, who was found dead on the road beneath the bridge on Monday. An inquest was opened yesterday

and adjourned by the local coroner. The death came after that of a girl aged 17, who was killed after falling from a rope flung beneath the 80ft high bridge, and of a British Rail worker, aged 23, who fell clutching his daughter aged two in his arms.

The council has been reluctant to

talk about the bridge because of fears that it would attract more cases. However, it accepts that the spate of deaths has made publicity inevitable. Mr John Trebble, chief executive of the council, said yesterday: "There is no simple, straightforward solution and many people in the town have argued that whatever you do to the bridge it will

Libel actions settled

Sonia Sutcliffe, the estranged wife of Peter Sutcliffe. the

Mrs Sutcliffe's solicitor, Miss Eileen Pembridge, told Mr Justice Michael Davies that the Daily Express, on April 27,

guilt, but failed to report him to the police. A second article in

so promiscuous that her elderly parents threw her out of their

the High Court in London to settle two libel actions,

Oldest recruit

A woman aged 41 became the

Devon and Cornwall police

Brown, of Camborne, Com-

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not stop the person determined on committing suicide."

In a special report prepared for discussion by councillors today, he says: "It would appear that it is no longer appropriate to ask the ques-tion whether action should now be taken to erect safety measures, but to investigate what measures ought

now to be taken." Options for making the bridge afe, including the installation of an 8ft high glass safety screen, have been put forward since 1980. Mr Trebble insisted that it was

not a matter of cost but of producing a scheme that was effective. An offer by a local steel construction com-

pany to design and erect new safety measures at no cost would be recommended by council officials

> The preferred scheme will involve raising the height of the parapet of the 62-year-old bridge and laying an anti-scaling device to make it harder to climb over. Until the design and testing is complete, scaffolding and wire netting will be erected as a deterrent.

Mr Trebble said it would take up to two weeks to construct the temporary barriers. Until then, private security officers would patrol the bridge around the clock. They had been instructed to use all suicide cases not to jump. However, they had been told not to put their own lives in danger.

The police will keep an extra watch on the bridge. Mrs Jean Duggleby, director of Scarborough Samaritans, welcomed the moves. However, she said it was difficult to prevent those determined on suicide from fulfilling their aims.

At lunchtime yesterday, local residents mounted a vigil on the bridge, which carries the A165 coastal road through the town. They left bouquets of flowers fastened to the wrought iron work in memory of those who had died.

Crisis forces Ashmolean to consider charging for entry

By Simon Tait, Arts Correspondent

STATE OF THE PROPERTY OF THE P Britain's eldest public mu-recently boosted the appeal seum, may have to charge for fund to £250,000. admission. However, Dr Christopher White, its directer, said he would put off the introduction of charges for as long as possible.

The financial crisis at the Oxford museum, which houses one of the world's finest art collections, stems from a 2.2 per cent funding cut instituted last year as the beginning of a five-year retrenchment period.

The 2.2 per cent cut will accumulate to 11 per cent in 1995, and an annual deficit for the five years rising to £95,000.

In 1991 it is expected to be about £60,000, Dr White said. A £3.2 million appeal for the buseum was launched last May with Mrs Anne Heseltine, wife of the former Secretary of State for Defence, as

The same of the sa Of this money, £1 million is ble freed the Pacific September 1 earmarked for more exhibition space and the rest for running costs. A grant of £150,000

The Ashmolean Museum, from the Clore Foundation has the university be admitted

Funded as a department of Oxford University, the Ashmolean's governing body consists of visitors, a board of dons chaired by the university vice- chancellor.

The university gives the museum £800,000 for running costs and pays the salaries of senior academic staff.

The annual report said only an exceptional £25,000 grant from the university prevented the museum having to consider instituting charges last year. The Ashmolean opened in 1683, charging sixpence to

By 1939 the entrance fee had become a penny, and charges were then waived. There is to be a meeting of the Visitors in March to discuss whether to introduce

charges in 1990-91, but the

provisional decision was made

that a charge would be in force

only for "as long as absolutely

necessary", that members of

free, and that there be one free day a week for the general public. "From the financial point of

view we do not know if it is an effective option," Dr White "We don't get so many

visitors that a drop of 40 per cent, which is the accepted calculation, would make it worthwhile; and we should have to pay for extra staff or have expensive equipment put in," he said.

The maseum receives about 200,000 visitors a year. · Trustees of the Victoria and Albert Museum, which has operated a system of voluntary nission donations since 1985, are expected to consider imposing compulsory charges in the light of last week's House to Commons Select Committee recommendation in favour of charges.

The committee's report

came out strongly against such

schemes as that operated by

house. Express Newspapers, publisher of the two newspapers. has withdrawn the allegations and apologized unreservedly. It also agreed to pay Mrs Sutcliffe's costs. Library offer

The Lords Feoffees and Assis- An inquest is to be held after a tants of the Manor of Bridlington, founded in 1630, have offered to pay for a £1.5 million library to be built in the Humberside resort.

China jobs go oldest recruit to join the The Royal Daulton Minton factory in Stoke-on-Trent.

yesterday. Mrs Christine Staffordshire, is making 170 workers redundant. **Breath case** Two breath test charges

Runner dies

man aged 23 tripped while running in Penrith, Cumbria. Mark Tremble, of Old London Road, Penrith, hit his head on the pavement and died instantly.

against the Mayor of Truro, Cornwall, were adjourned by ford, West Yorkshire, are magistrates yesterday. Christopher Mason, an accountant deo cameras, costing £80,000, aged 52, of Drump Road, to clamp down on Redruth, will appear in court again in five weeks.



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the seven new opposition individual Front leaders access to Romania's television parties in Romania have appealed to Britain to ensure that foreign observers are in place for the election prom-

The appeals were made ister of State at the Foreign Office, who used talks with executive members of the ruling National Salvation Front to offer British aid in organizing the poll, including the provision of 1,000 tons of

requests for election observers would be passed to the Council of Europe, which he be-lieved might be able to step in. He said that he had urged leaders of the provisional Government to act quickly to establish a round table conference of all shades of Roma-

His initiative to press for the setting-up of the round table came after hints on Monday by Mr Aurel Munteanu, the Front's official spokesman, that the idea may have been scrapped in favour of individual talks with the leading parties. The British minister insisted that, as well as politicians, it should include churchmen and other non-political representatives.

Mr Waldegrave said he had been impressed by claims by Mr Dumitru Mazilu and Professor Silviu Brucan, two Front leaders, that its hold on power was only intended as an

He admitted there was still leaders, the need to provide munist Party."

Leading members of some of confusion about what role opposition groups with free would play in the poll, and differences over the optimum date for holding it.

channel. "Some people clearly

feel that the electoral process

may be hijacked by Com-

munists with a slightly gentler

face, but Communists never-

Mr Waldegrave said he had

received information that Romania's new constitution

would be put to the elected assembly in draft form for

final consideration. Referring

to recent rumours of a possible

military coup, he stated: "I do

military is about to take over But it may well be that in

particular places where there is a complete collapse of the

administration the only viable

temporary structure will be

The minister said Britain had also pledged this week to give serious consideration to a

request from the Romania

interim Government to help it

build a new independent dip

lomatic service. It is severely

crippled because many of its

envoys are Ceausescu men without even simple language

were differences within the

Front about how to phrase the

promised January 28 referen-

dum on the future of the Communist Party. "If it is not

terms that seems to be the

right decision," the minister explained. "If you have a free

election, then everyone must

one leader pointed out, it is

unlikely that anyone is going to run on a programme of continuity with the old Com-

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the army point."

theless," he said.

He added that the presence ised in April to see that polling of the world's press in large numbers would be another deterrent to efforts to subvert during a two-day visit by Mr the poll. If the round table William Waklegrave, the Min-wanted, he said, Britain was prepared to provide the same large degree of practical assistance as it did during the recent polling in Namibia.

Although Mr Waldegrave was on his first visit to Romania, his credentials were enhanced by the attack made

mass grave containing bodies of people tortured and killed in volution has been found in the Romanian city of Timisoara, the newspaper Aderaral said yesterday. Emotion was running high as a result of

on him under the Ceausescu regime when he was accused of "menacine of "menacing, revisionist Hungarian plots".

Describing the more serious problems facing Romania than other recently liberated East bloc countries, he said: "In all of them, the communists had oppressed the basic institutions of a free society. Ceausescu managed to do something even more, which was to destroy the alternative power structure of the Communist Party as well, vacuum is even so the

He stressed to the Front

Armenians flee ethnic violence



rmenian refugees from Baku arriving at the Zvartnots airport in Yerevan after a perilous journey to escape from the bitter ethnic fighting which has broken out in Azerbaijan between the Muslim Azerbaijanis and the Christian Armenians.

Stasi headquarters under siege | Gorbachov's years in power

East Berlin suburb taken up by the sprawl of the former Stasi headquarters. Yesterday it stood empty, vandalised in an suspected treason. orgy of revenge by thousands of incensed East Berliners on

400. At a press conference he got out of his car," the yesterday they said they had been helpless to prevent the masses from storming the building. There is said to be damage worth millions of

Behind the bullet-proof with spray-can graffiti, ranging from jokes to accusations and threats, the gamut of At the entrance is the message: "Herr Mielke: I want my file before the building was put back and then your head." under police guard in Decem-Herr Mielke, the former Min- ber. The vandalised building

probably safest where he is under arrest in an unnamed prison outside East Berlin on charges of corruption and

His personal legacy is a giant concrete shield in front of the entrance to his office, young policeman standing Herr Mielke's paranoia was

such that even the Politburo used to joke about it. After his enforced retirement in November, they discovered that he gates, the walls are covered had kept files on them as well. In the main building, torn documents he scattered in heaps on stairways. In the emotion which is the legacy of cellars are fragments of finanthe Stalinist security service. cial records which the former security men tried to destroy

The locals call it Stasigrad, the ister of State Security, is seems almost pitiful. Under the gaze of busts of Lenin and the ubiquitous motto, "Proletariats of all lands unite", thousands of tiny offices processed information collected by official and unofficial collaborators.

The door of Room 312 now The number of policemen clumsily disguised as an ab-guarding the 40 entrances to stract statue. "He had an down by the Monday pro-the complex has doubled to obsession about being shot as testers. On the floor lie plans of the main restaurants in East Berlin, which show corner tables set aside for Stasi workers

In the nextdoor office lie heaps of records of foreign trips undertaken by East German youth groups, their names and addressed dutifully passed on by the country's travel bureau.

Sergeant Wolf Reincke. narding the hall where Herr Mielke used to deliver threehour lectures on Marxism, indicates the graffiti on the podium: "Psycho terror for Mielke: We will be back," and

shrugs: "This lust for revenge is the most dangerous thing, it seems to have eaten into everyone.

The opening up of the Stasi headquarters has revealed the extent of their privileges — special health facilities, supermarkets and a perfectly maintained football pitch. The travel bureau offered trips abroad at a fraction of the normal price.

On Monday night, files of the Stasi's activities in other countries were discovered, including its anti-Solidarity work in Poland.

Opposition groups have now moved into the complex round the clock to supervise the dissolution of the Stasi.

Even on Monday, Stasi employees were still working in the building. The few who turned up for work yesterday were sent home by the police. Sgt Reincke said: "It would be impossible to guarantee their security here at the moment."

marked by growing unrest

The bloodshed in Azerbaijan and Armenia is the latest in a series of incidents of violent unrest in the Soviet Union since Mr Gorbachov came to power in March 1985:

June – Gangs of Uzbeks hunt days later, 6,000 people demand release of 20 people mand release of 20 people arrested on Revolution Day. Protesters attack interior ministry in Kishinyov with rocks and petrol bombs. Some 130

1988 February - Violence between Armenians and Azerbaijanis over Nagorno-Karabakh. More than 90 die

as clashes continued for much of the year. October - Troops in the attack demonstrators in Kiev, Byelorussian capital, Minsk, injuring dozens. use tear gas against demon-

stration by tens of thousands demanding more democracy. 1989 Spring — Demonstra-tions in Moldavia broken up by police and troops. April - Troops use shovels and poison gas to break up

peaceful nationalist demonstration in Tbilisi,

Georgia; 20 people die.

week of ethnic violence. August - Some 300 men attack Armenian truck convoy travelling through Nagorno-Karabakh, injuring more than 20. Police wielding batons

injuring dozens. September – Military planes airlift 500 Meskhetians from

Uzbekistan as ethnic violence spreads. October - Nationalist demonstrators attack police in the

Uzbekistan capital, Tashkent, and other cities. Nevember - Several thousand mounts between people clash with police in gian and Kishinyov, Moldavia. Three

1986 December — Clashes in July — Rioting gangs seize the Central Asian republic of Kazakhstan claim at least three lives.

Abbasia; 20 people die in on thousands of demonstrations of the properties of the prop local party officials. Demonstrators later attack interior ministry. Azerbaijanis destroy border fences on the frontier with Iran and Turkey and violence flares between Azerbaijanis and Armenians over Nagorno-Karabakh.

1990 January - Crowds riot along border between Soviet Azerbaijan and Iran, attacking border posts. Soviet troop reinforcements deployed in remote region of Caucasus mountains, where tension mounts between rival Geor-Ossetian

Havel honours Palach sacrifice

From Peter Green

A cold breeze blew in from the Vitava river as more than 5,000 Prague citizens gathered in the square on the bank yesterday on the 20th anniversary of the day Ian Palach, a 21-year-old student, set him-self alight in Wencesias Square in protest against the invasion of Czechoslovakia by Warsaw Pact troops and the repression of the Prague Spring reforms.

For the first time in two

decades, the police kept their distance and the commemoration went undisturbed as Mr Vaciav Havel, the dissident playwright turned President, spoke from the steps of Philharmonic Hall. He renamed the square in Palach's honour and unveiled of a pewter cast of Palach's death mask by Olbram Zoubek, a Prague

Previously, the square had been called Square of the Red Army Soldiers, for the Soviet troops said to have been buried there during the Sec-ond World War. The sculp-ture will be placed inside the Charles University Philosophy faculty, where Palach studied and which borders the Square. A handful of Czech flags flew and a brass sextet played somber processional music. Several students in the crowd knelt with lit candles.

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For President Havel the day was a personal anniversary as well, as he told the cheering crowd in a brief speech. "In an hour it will be one year to the day since I and some other people tried to put flowers at the base of the statue of Saint Wenceslas and we arrested," he said.
"When after 14 days in

prison, I learned about the support of the people and that they were protesting against this imprisonment, I felt that: after 20 years Jan Palach's absolute sacrifice had begun to be appreciated.

"Then it was my feeling Today it is my conviction.



Jan Palach, who died for his dream of Czechoslovakia.

longed for and what Palach dreamed about. Now it is upto us if it will really happen." The French actor Yves

Montand, speaking for the Paris-based international committee for Charter 77, made his group's 11th annual Jan Palach award for Human Rights activism to Czechoslovakian students, whose protests last November launched their country's velvet revolution.

"Today for the first time the Jan Palach prize can be awarded here in Prague. Long live free and democratic Czechoslovakia," M Montand said. Mr Havel himself received the award in 1982 while in jail for his dissident activities.

Martin Klima, leaders of the student movement, accepted the award on behalf of Czechoslovakia's students.

Mr Martin Benda and Mr

We university students began this revolution and in some way we feel responsible for it," said Mr Benda.

"This would be a dreadful responsibility if we didn't know that we were supported by the majority of society. That is why we see the future

Bonn explores ways to make nation less attractive to settlers

From Ian Murray Boun

A special government working group is to find ways of making West Germany a less attractive place for settlers, notably East

With ethnic German refugees still pouring into the country at up to 3,000 a day, politicians are becoming alarmed at the social consequences of absorbing so many people — and at the financial cost of paying them such generous Every ethnic German has the

automatic right to a West German passport and all the social benefits he or she would qualify to receive if they had lived, worked and paid contributions all their life.

With around one million such refugees arriving to claim these benefits in the past two years, the special working group has been charged to find ways of cutting them back to persuade would-be new arrivals that it is better to stay where they are and work for a

Herr Julius Cronenberg, the social affairs spokesman for the Free Democrats - junior partners

Bucharest (AP) - Herr Hans-Dietrich Genscher, the West German Foreign Minister, yesterday said that more than 100,000 ethnic Germans living in Romania plan to emigrate to West Germany despite the reform process ushered in by the revolution.

in the government coalition - said yesterday that the grants available to help these refugees integrate eded to be reviewed now that the idea of "one Germany" was becoming more concrete.

People should no more be considered for special aid because Germany to one in West Germany than if they moved between two

West German states, he said.

The Christian Democrats are not prepared to go that far yet, however, and are looking at less radical cuts. Under the chairmanship of Herr Norbert Blum, the Christian Democrats Labour Minister, the special group is to consider ways of cutting the right to an automatic full pension.

One suggestion that has been advanced is that no pension should be payable to former members of the communist party, government officials, professional soldiers or to members of the state security services, such as the East German

Pensions, however, are only a minor part of the problem. Most of the refugees are young, with no more than around 10 per cent of those arriving in recent years being

they moved from one state in East of pensionable age. Another idea is to limit the amount of free medical help available to treatment for acute illness. Other than that, refugees would need to be paid-up members of a health insurance

scheme, like other citizens. The opposition Social Democrats, who already want the Government to spend more money quickly in East Germany to improve living conditions there so that people do not want to leave, are pressing for a government

statement tomorrow. Herr Hans-Jochen Vogel, the Social Democrats' leader, has demanded that the Government set up a cross-border joint social security scheme which would improve payments to those remaining in East Germany, while restricting payments to refugees in West Germany to the same level. • Treaty talks: The promised co-

operation treaty between Bonn and

East Berlin will not be signed before the East German election on May 6, the government coalition agreed here yesterday during a second session of talks on intra-German relations.

Herr Helmut Kohl, the West German Chancellor, will, however, make it clear in a policy statement to the Bundestag tomorrow that work will go ahead on economic co-operation, health aid, telephone improvements and environmental

Frau Christina Luft, the East German Economics Minister, yes-terday made a first visit to Bonn, and Herr Klaus Topfer, the West German Environment Minister, reciprocated with a first visit to the most polluted areas of East Germany and agreed to co-operate in a clean-up programme, but the full "community of treaties" between the two Germanies will have to wait until after Bonn is sure that

the May 6 election has been fairly conducted The coalition decided it was not

appropriate before then to sign the comprehensive co-operation treaties, which were agreed in principle when Chancellor Kohl met Herr Hans Modrow, the East German Prime Minister, in Dresden just before Christmas. Signing is considered too im-

portant an event to be left to a transitional government, led by a communist who could turn the occasion to electoral advantage. For similar reasons, Chancellor Kohl continues to be under pres-

sure from within the coalition not to meet Herr Modrow again before the election. Herr Modrow did, however, travel to West Berlin yesterday evening for a second meeting with Herr Walter Momper, the Mayor.

The two discussed how better to

integrate the two halves of Berlin.

with hope, and that is why we will win."



respectively representing East and West Germany at the Vienna seminar yesterday.

Top brass of East and West bury Cold War From Michael Evans, Defence Correspondent, Vienna

The first-ever lunch party to be held between Marshal of the Royal Air Force Sir David Craig, chief of the defence staff and a man of impeccable British reserve, and General Mikhail Moiseyev, chief of the Soviet General Staff, resplendent with bushy eyebrows and eight rows of military badges, took place at the Bristol Hotel

in downtown Vienna yesterday. It is to be hoped that the Soviet general had a good interpreter with him because a glance at the list of delegates attending the extraordinary seminar for East-West top military commanders in the Austrian capital might at first cause some confusion.

It is all in German and Sir David appears as a Marshal of the Royal Luftwaffe. But perhaps that helped to underline for General Moiseyev the cohesiveness and co-operation of the Nato alliance

Sir David has been in the job for

exactly the same period as his Soviet counterpart - since December, 1988. Yesterday he was quick to point out to an eager BBC man before the opening session of the seminar that he was "not in the business of giving

So lunch threatened to be a rather dry affair, possibly with chitchat about how neither would ever attack each other and the problems of dealing with redundant officers, the real victims of the sudden demise of the Cold War.

away secrets" to his new Eastern bloc

However, the British interpreter at the lunch insisted that the conversation between the two was so full of substance that neither had time to finish his plate of lamb and vegetables.

Before the lunch began, Sir David, wearing the blue uniform of the RAF, and the Russian, wearing brown, exchanged courtesies as they shook trickiest of all negotiations in Easthands and talked of co-operation.

Sir David was accompanied at the lunch by General Sir Richard Vincent, the vice-chief of the defence staff, who had already met the Soviet general during a five-day visit to the Soviet Union last month. Yesterday's opening session of the seminar in the ballroom of the Hofburg Palace epitomized the way East-West relations have been transformed in recent

General Colin Powell, chairman of the US Joint Chiefs of Staff, having just overseen Operation Just Cause. the American invasion of Panama, and wearing only five rows of military badges, shook hands vigorously with General Moiseyev.

The seating arrangements for the seminar, something which in the Cold War days often proved to be the

West meetings, was resolved in masterly fashion. Each chief of the defence staff sat according to French alphabetical order, although the names of the countries were in

So the US was six places to the right of the Soviet Union and Britain was wedged between France and Greece. East and West Germany were, of course, next to each other.

The Soviet team behind General Moiseyev included a gentleman called Victor Kalashnikov, an arms expert. Since the seminar embraces 35 countries - Nato, Warsaw Pact and non-aligned European nations smaller military powers such as Cyprus, Malta and Switzerland were represented Non-military powers like the Holy See, San Marino and Monaco were also there to keep a watchful eye on the proceedings.

THE CHANGING FACE OF EUROPE

Havel honour Palach sacrifice

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Dialogue in Bulgaria but **Communists**

From Michael Hornsby, Sofia

hold reins

Bulgaria's Communist Gov- sides were on ernment began round-table footing".
talks in the National Assem- All ne bly building here yesterday with leaders of the opposition alliance which has emerged since the fall of the country's former Stalinist ruler, Mr Todor Zhivkov, two months ago after 35 years in power.

The talks were almost bro-ken off before they had begun when the opposition delegates threatened to walk out unless basic demands for a newspaper and printing press, a building in which to meet and organize, and guaranteed access to a state-run television were not met immediately. After withdrawing for 15 minutes to consider their pos

Stockholm (Reuter) - The office of the United Nations sioner for Refugees urged Sweden yesterday not to send some 5,000 asyto send some 5,000 asy-lum-seeking ethnic Turks back to Bulgaria. However, the Swedish Immigration Minister has already indicated that the expulsions would

ition, while several hundred of their restive supporters called for the Government's resignation outside the assembly building, the opposition leaders announced that they would be satisfied with a written document agreeing to their demands by tomorrow morning, when the talks are due to resume.

The head of the government delegation, Mr Andrei Luka-nov, a senior Politburo figure who rose to prominence after Mr Zhivkov was disloged on November 10, said he was optimistic that the request for a newspaper could be met at once and the other demands

soon afterwards. The leader of the opposition alliance, Mr Zheliu Zhelev, a professor of philosophy, said there could only be a dialogue with the Government if both

presses and newsprint, as well as radio and television and all public buildings, are still effectively owned or controlled by the Communist Party. The opposition says that under these conditions it cannot put its views to the public or prepare for the elections scheduled to be held by June.

The opposition alliance, known as the Union of Democratic Forces, comprises 12 trade union, civil rights, environmental and political groups led mainly by academics and writers. More than 50,000 people turned out in freezing temperatures last Sunday to attend a rally in support of the alliance outside Sofia's Aleksandr Nevsky Cathedral in the biggest prodemocracy demonstration since Mr Zhivkov's removal.

On Monday, the com-munist-dominated National Assembly voted without dissent to abolish clauses in the constitution that had guaranteed the party's monopoly on political power.

Mr Lukanov has rejected demands for live radio and television coverage of the round table talks. In an interview, he claimed that the Union of Democratic Forces already had "more access to radio and television than an opposition generally has in a western country. As we move towards elections, there will be regulated access for opposition groups to television."

Indeed, the apparatus of Communist Party power remains very much intact. The central committee is still unchanged as are most of the provincial structures of the party. Western observers here believe that a party congress scheduled for the end of the month could see a fierce struggle between the new reformist leadership and die-

WORLD ROUNDUP

China steps up the people's workload

national economic plan that diplomats said amounted to asking people to work harder for less reward. The plan, passed by the Communist Party's Central Committee last November, predicts that China will need three more years before a 16-month-old austerity programme succeeds. The New China News Agency said the strategy's main aims were to reduce inflation to less than 10 per cent a year, balance state revenue and expenditure and slowly reduce mounting internal debts.

Western diplomats said one main part of the strategy might be doomed. The plan calls for a cut in credit to the nation's industries and indicates smaller pay packets for their employees but asks for higher productivity. Since November China has shown no sign of letting up on its austerity drive. It has sunk deeper into debt as subsidies to industry have remained level but production has slumped,

Thatcher for Paris

The Prime Minister will hold informal talks with President Mitterrand of France in Paris on Saturday, Downing Street announced yesterday (Nicholas Wood writes). The lunch engagement will be seen as symbolic of the improved relations between the two leaders since the Strasbourg European Council summit at which Mrs Thatcher moderated has criticism of such durables. moderated her criticism of such developments as the Social Charter and economic and monetary union. Later she was highly complimentary about the French leader's chairmanship of the summit, and ministers are hopeful that moves towards German reunification may revive the entente cordiale and lead the French to co-operate more closely with Britain on Community issues.

Bank's drug scheme

New York — A Luxembourg-based bank pleaded guilty yesterday to laundering drug money in a case that could shed light on the finances of General Manuel Noriega, the former Panamanian leader (James Bone writes). The Bank of Credit and Commerce International agreed to five years' probation and forfeiture of \$14 million (£8.4 million) in assets in the first federal prosecution of a big international bank on charges of conspiring to aid drug trafficking through secret accounts. Six officers of the bank remained on trial in Tampa, Florida, accused of scheming to launder \$32 million from cocaine sales in the US. Mr Amjab Awan, aged 41, one of the defendants, claims he was once General Noriega's banker and managed a secret account for him.

Muslims raid court

Algiers (Renter) - Two Muslim fundamentalists and a policeman were killed in a courtroom gun battle in the Algerian town of Blida yesterday, the official news agency said. A group of six men shouting "Allah-o Akbar" (God is Great) and "We will kill you, enemies of God" burst into the courtroom and attacked three police guards with knives, an axe and a knuckleduster and seized their weapons. Two policemen escaped but the third was held hostage. Police reinforcements later stormed the building, killing two of the attackers. The survivors were arrested.

Turkey-US talks

Ankara (Renter) - President Ozal of Turkey left yesterday for talks in Washington with President Bush on Thursday, hoping to derail a pro-Armenian bill in Congress that could have the control of the co damage ties between the two Nato allies. President Ozal will also discuss Turkey's inflation-ridden economy with World Bank officials and meet Senor Javier Perez de Cuellar, UN Secretary-General, for talks on Cyprus. The Bill calls for a national day of remembrance to mark "the 75th anniversary of the Armenian genocide of 1915-23" when 1.5 million were allegedly killed - a charge Turkey denies.

Yeltsin at the heart of capitalism



Mr Boris Yeltsin, the radical Soviet Deputy, inspecting a computer room during his visit yesterday to the Tokyo Stock Exchange. Later he called on the United States and Japan to help the Soviet Union set up its own exchange.

EC presidency

Irish deal fresh blow to Thatcher

From Peter Guilford, Strasbourg

Events in Eastern Europe have French. During its presidency given the European Commu- it will busy itself with further nity no choice but to quicken the pace of its own integration, and the Irish Government will push for greater union during its six-month EC presidency, Mr Gerry Collins, the Irish Foreign Minister, announced

The move will be another blow to Mrs Thatcher's belief that the Community should shelve its greater ambitions notably full economic and monetary union - at least until Eastern Europe is more

European Monetary Union, ogether with another of Mrs Thatcher's bêtes noires, the Social Charter, is also high on Ireland's list of priorities for the coming months.

Unveiling the Irish EC strategy to the full European Parliament in Strasbourg yesterday, Mr Collins admitted that he would "not be drawing any rabbits out of a hat". Ireland has chosen to play

safe, launching few new initiatives while at the same time maintaining the considerable momentum built up towards the end of last year by the

preparations for the intergovernmental conference on monetary union, to be opened by the Italians before the end of the year, and will report on its progress to EC government leaders at their Dublin summit in June.

After the Community decision in December to push ahead without Britain and sign the Social Charter, Ire-land, Italy and Luxembourg are collaborating to produce a detailed timetable of worker protection laws up to 1991. The Irish will also launch a "special initiative" on longterm unemployment.

But Ireland is fully aware that the success of its presidency will be judged above all by its efforts to secure a clear strategy towards Eastern Europe. Beginning with a crucial meeting of EC foreign min-isters in Dublin on Saturday, it will be steering the Commu-nity towards detailed eco-nomic deals with fledgeling East bloc democracies. It will also open serious discussions on the EC's longer-term relations with the East.

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Britain underlines its determination to carry on with Hong Kong repatriation Hurd shrugs off boat people protests

From Andrew McEwen, Diplomatic Editor, Hong Kong

protest, we would rather die ride from the mainland. here" yesterday as Mr Douglas Hurd, the Foreign Secretary, ment has not attempted to detention centre

did not show it, dismissing the demonstration as "predicted and predictable".

He again reaffirmed Britain's intention to send more boat people back to Vietnam against their will and later added: "I do not see anything that would enable us to end that policy.

Meanwhile the tenth in a series of voluntary repatriation flights left yesterday

eksk (AFP) - The corpses. of 11 Viet found washed up on the coast of southern Thailand after a cted pirate attack, police said yesterday. Six of the bodies were found on Monday and the rest on Sunday. Coroners had failed to determ the cause of death. Police believe they were raped.

with 104 people on board, bringing the total number to have returned voluntarily to 1,101.

But more than 43,500 remain in Hong Kong and Mr Hund's visit to Hei Ling Chau camp produced little evidence that the boat people are becoming more resigned to their fate. Camp officials said most of the 3,630 inmates

took part in the protest. At least half were children. many little more than toddlers wrapped up against a cold wind in Oxfam clothes, A double outer fence, 18ft-high and topped with barbed wire

Thousands of Vietnamese run by Hong Kong's Correcboat people wearing white tional Services Department headbands chanted "freedom, and is a 40-minute motorboat

The Hong Kong Governvisited a large Hong Kong stifle protest, partly because it serves as a safety valve and If Mr Hurd felt sympathy he partly to avoid giving further ammunition to human rights

Carrying banners reading "If you were in our position, what would you do?" and "No go back to communism", the demonstrators kept up their chanting throughout the 30minute visit. Mr Hurd said it was more for the benefit of television than for him. Journalists soon discovered

the limits of the freedom of expression it implied. No facilities were available for them to check allegations made by Amnesty Inter-national on Monday of serious flaws in the screening process used to determine which boat people qualify as refuge Only brief interviews

"The Government of Hong Kong will look carefully at the specific points in the Amnesty report. Many of them have been investigated already and found to be without foundstion," Mr Hurd said.

He did not attempt to check the fairness issue himself, spending little more than a people receive an initial ening interview.

Mr Hurd passed under a banner reading "Mandatory repatriation is inhuman" without giving it a glance, and declined a request to meet the protesters, though he did ac-

He was shown two dormitories where three-tiered metal



Caged anger: Mr Douglas Hard, the Foreign Secretary, passing a repatriation protest by fenced-in boat people yesterday. privacy for couples spart from acknowledged a lack of space, conference he said: "I don't aircraft which are bound for filmsy screens made from but showed no other sign of think many countries have Vietnam.

being troubled.

flimsy screens made from clothing. The unheated, illsmelling rooms were lined hith washing and incongruous repatriation policy was "not an agreeable business", but added: "It is better and more with washing and incongruous Christmas decorations.

coils, deterred escape. Anyone warehouse shelving covered the screening facility were humane in my view than Hanoi, was asked what the breaching the wire would have in hardboard was being used "well run by the authorities keeping people here in-boat people would do when nowhere to go: the island is as double bunks, bereft of within the possibilities". He definitely." Later at a press guards came to take them to

denounced it as cruel. I think there is a greater understand-He said the compulsory ing of what Hong Kong has accepted and endured."

Mr Tran Duc Toan, from Hanoi, was asked what the ation. Hanoi has made it clear boat people would do when it will take back only those

"We will express our feelings, but we do not want to do

this by fighting," he said. Their good behaviour will not help them evade repatri-

Mr Hurd supported this and Chinese rule.

Visit clears way for democracy deal with China

From Andrew McEwen, Hong Kong

ease tensions between the colony and Britain and create a better atmosphere for a deal with China on democracy.

After encountering milder protests over British policies and more understanding than predicted, Mr Hurd left more confident than when he arrived on Saturday. While protest organizers

attributed this to scepticism among the Hong Kong Chinese, who felt that Britain's influence with Peking was so low as to make demonstrations pointless, others be-lieved the Foreign Secretary had shown skill and tact. He appeared to have won

the acquiescence, or at least the temporary silence, of most legislators on the most important issue: his policy of reaching an understanding with Peking on democracy rather than making a uni-lateral policy which China might revoke in 1997.

Mr Hurd almost met less criticism than expected over the size of the Government's nationality proposals, under which 50,000 Hong Kong Chinese heads of household will be given full British

A Conservative backbench revolt led by Mr Norman Tebbit helped Mr Hurd's position in Hong Kong by lending credibility to his argument that it was the best package Parliament was likely to accept. His continued toughness over the Vietnamese boat people issue proved as popuar as expected.

On democracy, the Office of the Members of the Legislative and Executive Council (Omelco) had wanted him to set a policy, based on its own proposals for steady steps towards direct elections, without reference to Peking.

proposal but resisted a unilateral move, arguing that the top priority was to ensure continuity between British

He received unexpected help from Peking on Monday on the 1988 White Paper, when a senior official made remarks which implied that a directly elected out of a coundeal was still possible. Mr Li cil of 56 members. At present

Mr Douglas Hurd, the Foreign Hong Kong and Macau Af-Secretary, flew back to Lon-fairs Office of China's State don last night after a visit to Council, said Peking had Hong Kong which appeared to made "some concessions" in talks with Sir David Wilson, Governor of Hong Kong, last week. He said Britain had asked for more than Peking was offering and the two sides

needed to "get closer". Mr Hurd said yesterday that it was too early to speak of ... optimism, but another British source said there was at least some optimism" and confirmed that the Chinese position had shifted.

At first sight, the two sides appear to be within reach of agreement, with similar proposals on the number of seats in the Legislative Council to be directly elected. Closer inspection shows the real position to be more complicated.

China's initial proposal fast year was that the Legislative Council, which it will take over in 1997, should include 15 directly elected members out of 55. The proportion would increase to 50 per cent of a larger council by 2003, and in 2011 there would be a referendum to approve all seats being directly elected.

In December, the political sub-group of Peking's Basic Law Drafting Committee altered the proposal in a way which British officials saw as: one step forward and another backward. It proposed that, at the time China takes over, the council should have 60 members of which 18 would be directly elected, but also called. for a 10-year period without change after the transition, and dropped the idea of a

Omelco's proposal is that, in the 1991 election, 20 seats should be directly elected out of a council of 60. In 1995, this would rise to 30, and seats reserved for government of-ficials would be abolished.

Some in Hong Kong have argued that the gap is only two seats by simplifying Omelco's demand to 20 and China's offer to 18, but it is in fact much wider.

Mr Hard reaffirmed yesterday that whatever he proposes will be an improvement which called for 10 seats to be Hou, deputy director of the none is directly elected.

Oil spill

threatens

wildlife

Vietnamese find that returning home is no easy option repatriation from Hong Kong has been increasing, with about 2,000 detention centres and decided to applications pending. More than apply for repatriation. The IIN also provides volunters. From Dan Biers Gieng Dan Village, Vietnam

Mr Dinh Hong Qui, aged 28, is finding it no easy task to begin a new life in impoverished northern Victnam after voluntarily returning home from the squalid camps of Hong Kong.

"At present I am doing nothing, I have no job and I have to rely on my parents," he said. "For the time being it is very difficult."

Mr Charles-Henry Bazoche, head the United Nations High ioner for Refugees mission in Hanoi, acknowledged the eco-

nomic difficulties faced by the returnees - nearly 1,000 so far - but believes that market-oriented economic reforms under way in Communist Vietnam will lead to rapid

Mr Bazoche said: "They know that Hong Kong is a dead end. The situation in Vietnam is evolving very fast. I do believe the next four years will see many more changes." He added:"I am deeply convinced that life in Vietnam is better than in

Mr Bazoche noted that the number of boat people seeking voluntary

230 of the boat people who have voluntarily returned are from Ouang Ninh, a northern province.

Mr Qui and his wife left behind jobs last spring as a factory welder and tourist official, with a total monthly salary of about £9 and sold their house to help pay for seats on a boat to Hong Kong, which cost £300

Soon after they arrived in the British colony, however, they became fed up with the strange food The couple boarded a chartered

flight to Vietnam on November 30

and have been living at the austere brick home of Mr Qui's parents. Mr Qui, whose wife is six months pregnant, hopes he can borrow money from friends to start his own

mechanical repair business. The UN agency provides the equivalent of \$50 in cash to each returning adult to help with initial resettlement, but often the money is squandered. Mr Lam, for example,

The UN also provides voluntary

returnees with a monthly allowance of \$30 for one year, but Mr Bazoche. said what is really needed are development programmes in the northern provinces, from which most of the boat people set sail. Officials in Quang Ninh and the

nearby port city of Haiphong say they have launched a media campaign to dissuade Vietnamese from sailing to Hong Kong, about 500 miles to the north-east. (Associated Press)

Cambodia peace talks

Khmer Rouge still damps UN hopes

From Philip Jacobson, Paris

With the Khmer Rouge intent package which might be acon shooting their way back cepted. Initial estimates of the into power in Cambodia, the cost of providing both peaceemergency talks among the five members of the United Nations Security Council ended here yesterday with no apparent solution emerging on how to deal with the threat

posed by the guerrilla army. While sources close to the talks indicated that there were signs of a growing consensus on providing a central role for the UN in peace-keeping efforts, it was acknowledged that the Khmer Rouge forces may prove to be beyond the ence even of their Chi-

two-day gathering in Paris with report that their talks have force. been "very frank" and "constructive", it seems clear that Chinese hostility to the Viet-China is not yet willing to consider cutting its substantial military aid to the Khmer Rouge as the guerrillas' offensive gathers momentum. The nearest Peking has come to compromise, say the sources, is by accepting the principle that outside aid to all the warring factions must end immediately if and when a in yesterday's talks claim to UN-sponsored ceasefire perceive a subtle shift of

diplomats here are emphasiz- believe that the Chinese may

keeping forces and an interim civilian administration to run the country pending new elec-

tions are high. While Security Council members agree on the need for the proposed interim body to wield full executive authority during the build-up to elections, the ability of Khmer Rouge forces to wreck any diplomatic solution on the battlefield is acknowle With Mr Hun Sen, the Cambodian Prime Minister, admitting that his front-line units require bolstering, the Although participants at the military initiative remains with the the main guerrilla

namese-backed Hun Sun Government, assurances have reportedly been given to Peking that a UN mission could be dispatched to verify that all Hanoi's troops have been withdrawn from Cambodia before any peace plan came into effect

Some diplomats involved Peking's position regarding At the same time, Western the Khmer Rouge: optimists ing the formidable task that even consider "downgrading

Computer failure blocks US telephones

A continent's telephones

seized up this week because of

Much vaunted as the

world's most sophisticated

telephone system, American

Telephone and Telegraph Co

(AT&T), the nation's biggest

long-distance carrier, broke

down on Monday for nine

hours and tens of millions of

customers across the United

States found they were unable

to dial beyond their local

a computer problem.

tions experts said the failure vices are rare and generally since the beginning of the

The breakdown is certain to prompt government offices and businesses to assess how they would cope with the failure of their computers, whether accidental or deliberate.

The New York Stock Exchange, for example, was un-affected, since its trading system is designed to jump to an alternative long-distance carrier in the event of interruption to the AT&T

The firm said a failure in the software system was probably to blame, but did not rule out AT&T said the failure was unprecedented in terms of the possibility of sabotage, along the lines of a computer length and cause. Regional virus or worm. Communicafailures of long-distance ser-

had the most serious impact caused by damage to installations by bad weather or accidents, such as the earthquake which shook San Francisco last October, or the severance of fibre optic cables by builders.

> The company, which ruled out a severed cable as the cause, said a faulty signal node told switches it was unable to receive calls. The electronic message transmitted had a domino effect on other

The firm's elaborate software programme, recently installed and heralded as the world's most sophisticated, uses the switches to find the most efficient route for a long-

stead of receiving a connec- AT&T's rivals to get through. tion after the usual sing-song recording "Thank you for calling AT&T", callers heard an engaged tone or a message informing them that all cir- competitive long-distance US cuits were busy for domestic long-distance and overseas

On an average business day, the network handles up to 100 million calls. By early afternoon, as many as half the long-distance calls dialled in almost every big city were Jr, the civil rights leader.

One television network had trouble reporting the story for its evening news bulletin because it was unable to reach complained that reservations its reporters around the coun- suffered. Only businesses with

special code The disruption was softened by the closure of some offices for a government holiday in honour of Martin Luther King

Some customers complained

energetically tried to promote

its service in the fiercely

telephone industry, refused to

tell subscribers that they could

gain access to its rivals with a

Businesses, including hotels, car hire firms and airlines, which rely on their tollfree numbers for reservations, distance call on the country's try. Eventually, the station private lines were unaffected

Lisbon - An oil spill 12 miles long and one mile wide has covered the beaches of Porto Santo Island in Madeira, causing an ecological disaster (Martha de la Cal writes). Large numbers of turtles and

seagulls are dying. The origin of the crude oil is not known. No spill had been reported since an accident involving the Spanish supertanker Aragon on January 2 near Porto Santo.

Bodies found

San José - Costa Rican rescue workers began trying to remove bodies from a passenger plane which crashed into a mountainside south of the capital, killing all 22 on

Stay granted

Johannesburg (Renter) — South Africa has allowed M Bob Denard, the French mercenary leader, to remain for two more weeks while he sorts out his future after being forced to leave the Comoros.

Killer caught

Moscow (Reuter) - A man apparently envious of a colleague killed him with an iron bar, raped his wife, murdered her and her children and was then caught after returning to rob their home, Tass reported.

Mayor ousted

Mogadisha (Reuter) - President Siad Barre, who sacked his Cabinet a week ago, has dismissed the Mayor of Mogadishu and the heads of Somalia's two main banks.

Five charged

Kampala (Reuter) - Five Ugandans detained for more than a year have appeared in court charged with plotting to overthrow President Museveni.

Crew missing

Bahrain (Reuter) - A burning oil and chemical tanker sank in the Red Sea with three crew missing after rescue ships saved 31 crewmen, a shipping source in Jeddah said.

Ivory ban

Singapore (Reuter) - Singapore will ban the import and export of ivory in line with international restrictions on ivory trade, a government statement said. المان ا من ألا صل

Kashmir in fear as fundamentalists tighten grip

From Christopher Thomas Srinagar, Kashmir

The freezing, rain-scaked streets of Srinagar told their own story yesterday of what is happening to the Kashmir

Nearly every woman was shrouded in a burga. Video shops sold only Pakistani films. Shopkeepers hurriedly erected new Urdu-script signs above their stores. Cinemas, condemned as decadent, were shuttered. Barkeepers, branded as un-Islamic, served tea

These are the signs of a new kind of Kashmir - one that is in their faces. Hindus will be

Islamic fundamentalism, imposed ruthlessly by extremist organizations that now virtuilly control day-to-day life in the valley.

The immensely popular cause of Kashmiri nationalism has become inextricably linked with religious fanaticism, a development patently designed to emphasize the cultural alienation of India's only Muslim majority state.

By January 30, every woman and girl over the age of 10 will have to be veiled. Any who fail to heed the warning are liable to have ink thrown

distinguish them. In the muddy, traffic-

choked alleyways, shopkeepers were busy yesterday painting their signs green the colour of prosperity under orders from a particularly hardline fundamentalist group called Allah's Tigers.

A torrent of instructions pours forth endlessly from extremist organizations. Newsreaders on local broadcasts of Indian state-run radio and television have been told to stop mixing Hindi words with the Urdu language - an instruction heeded immediawould confront any UN peace their previous solid support. | in the unfamiliar grip of compelled to wear the tika tely. Camera shops have been

Hindi and English-language

which are "un-Islamic". Everybody seems to be

afraid. Politicians from the National Conference, the longest-established political party in Kashmir, have virtually been driven underground. Every day, dozens of people place advertisements in Urdu-

films have been banned because they represent "cultural domination". Coffee shops have been ordered not to sell tickets for lotteries,

mark on their forehead to told not to display photo- link can be tantamount to a graphs of scantily clad people. death sentence.

Journalists, too, are scared. Extremists tend to bomb the offices of newspapers that upset them. They have also let it be known that they want to be called "rebels" or "insurgents" but not "militants".

In the past week, government security forces looking for "subversive material" have raided an Urdu-language weekly magazine, Chattan, and English-language weekly, Greater Kashmir. But a plan to impose draconian censorship language newspapers declar- has been abandoned after ing that they bear no fierce protests from within allegiance to the party. Any India and internationally,

Crucial legal match tests embattled Borg in Swedish courts



Borg: Judicial bid to save both his

From Christopher Mosey Stockholm

Bjorn Borg, former tennis champion and slightly tarnished national icon, has begun what promises to be a mammoth judicial battle to recover his reputation in his homeland, save what is left of his fortune and straighten out the

aftermath of a tangled love life. He has hired Sweden's top lawyer, Mr Henning Sjostrom, a highly colourful personality who claims to be a practising Buddhist. Mr Sjostrom will fight several different court cases on behalf of Borg and his new wife, Italian pop star Loredana Berte.

In the first of these, which opened in Nacka district court, on Stockholm's South Island yesterday, Borg is being sued for £51 million for breach of contract by

his former personal business adviser, Mr Lars Skarke.

It was Mr Skarke who last year was involved in the collapse of the Bjorn Borg Design Group, the Swedish end of a business in which the former champion lent his name to a wide range of men's fashion

Mr Skarke, managing director and minority shareholder in the Design Group, tried to keep the company going before it was declared bankrupt by Borg. He claims he is unemployed and that his prospects have been irretrievably damaged by Borg. He and Borg, once firm friends,

glared angrily at one another across

the courtroom yesterday. Mr Sjostrom said Borg denied any

breach of contract and did not

intend to pay anything to Mr

Skarke. He also denounced as business empire. Despite the col-'pure nonsense" allegations made by Mr Skarke in court that Borg once employed an American company to help him avoid paying Accusing someone of tax avoid-

ance is particularly damaging in

Sweden, whose highly developed

welfare state is propped up by personal taxation that can reach 75 per cent of upper incomes. While reforms are promised, most of the country's other tennis stars and many of its principal businessmen are in exile in Monte

Carlo, London, Brussels and other foreign tax "havens" as a result. Borg himself only returned to Sweden recently from Monaco, taking advantage of the country's elaborate tax concessions in the

corporate sector to set up his

lapse of the Design Group, he still has many other interests, including a sporting club and a portfolio of property shares worth millions of krona. He also has business interests in America and the Far East. The charges of tax avoidance, while they will not help Borg's hard-hit reputation, fade into in-

significance compared with those levelled by his former girlfriend, Miss Jannike Bjorling. She has made damaging claims about Borg and drugs, which has provoked the tennis star into bringing a libel action against the

magazine which carried them. The Swedes have a particular dislike of the use of drugs, and even alcohol is often lumped together with drugs as a social evil.

Borg's libel case against "Z", the

Biorling's allegations, starts next He is also suing "Z" for market-

ing without his permission a T-

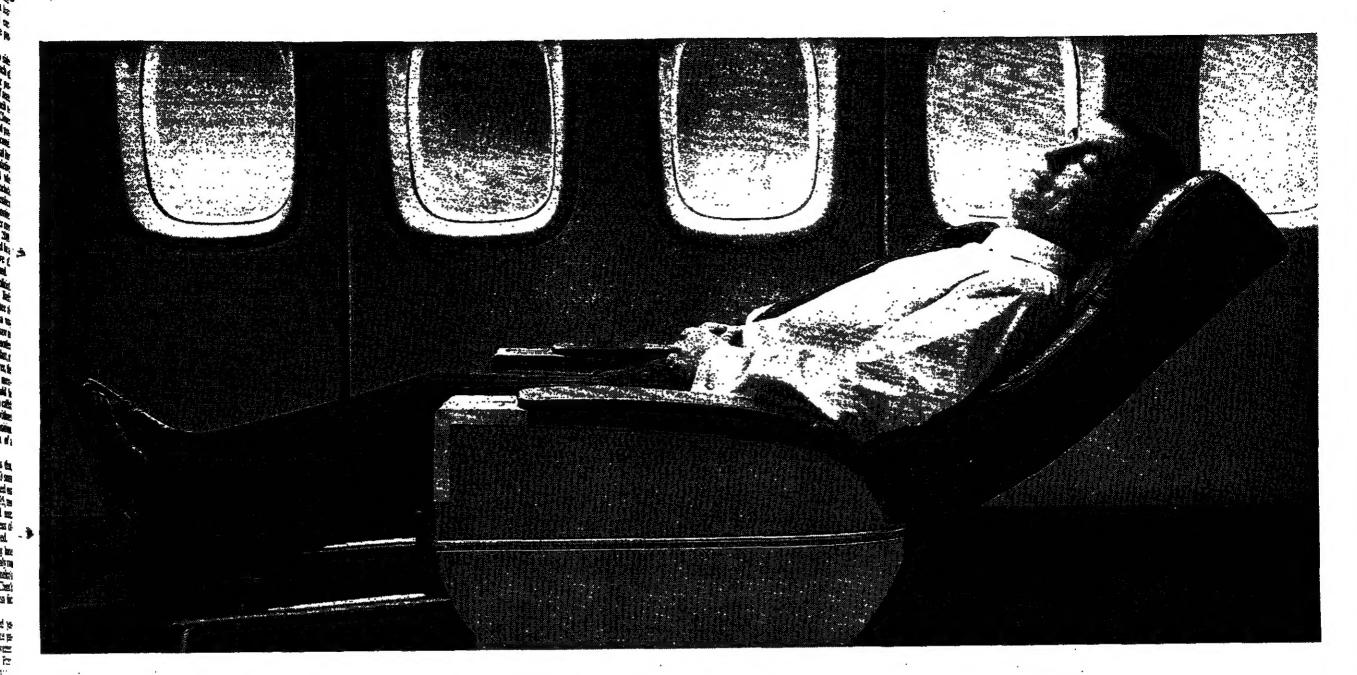
shirt emblazoned with the pictures

of his first wife, Mariana, Miss Bjorling and Berte under the logo "Bjorn Borg Collection". The Borg judicial saga continues next month when he will sue the weekly gossip magazine Hant i veckan (It Happened This Week)

for £25,000 damages. This involves an article alleging that his romance with Berte was breaking up. It was published the week the couple wed.

Finally, to round it all off, Borg and Miss Biorling will clash in court next summer on the question of custody of their four-year-old son, Robin.

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Thatcher dismisses 'pay policy' gibe by Kinnock

dismissive at question time of Mr Neil Kinnock's attempts to suggest that the Government had developed a pay policy.

Asserting that no such policy existed, she cast doubts on Mr Kinnock's understanding of what a pay policy was.

There were cheers for Mr Kinnock from his supporters when he said that the Government had two public-sector pay policies, one allowing increases above inflation for top people and the other, for the rest, below

Mr Kianock opened the exchange by asking Mrs Thatcher to recall telling the Commons last year that under this Govern-

policy.
"Why did she change her Mrs Thatcher: He is not correct. It is for the private sector under this Government

HOME NEWS

employer, to determine its pay

Mr Kinnock said that in order to jog the Prime Minister's memory, he would read the quotation: "Under this Government there is no incomes pol-" (Conservative shouts of

That's what she said.").
"That was what she had said, so perhaps she could explain why she has two incomes policies in the public sector, one for top people, above inflation rate, and one for the rest, below the rate of inflation (Labour

"Why does she not come clean and admit it, even though it would mean swallowing her

Mrs Thatcher: I do not think he understands what an in-comes policy is. There is not one under this Government. It is for the private sector to determine its own pay arrangements in relation to productivity and to keep its prices competitive, and She said that to do that, the

Government observed pay review bodies for people who did not go on strike and the many negotiating arrangements. The situation is much more complex than he understands."

Sir Fergus Montgoacry (Al-trincham and Sale, C) asked what message would be sent, if the ambulancemen's industrial action were successful, to the 84 per cent of National Health Sergice success and and action Service workers who had settled their pay claim last year through the normal machinery.

Mrs Thatcher replied that the pay claim being resolved now was the one that should have been settled last spring and early

For 84 per cent of those working in the health service—including the nurses, administrative and clerical grades, senior managers, ancillary staff, building trade, constitute and That was a reasonable and building trade operatives and medical laboratory scientific officers — it had been settled at

for the Government, in the between 6.5 per cent and 6.8 per public sector, to determine the cent. It would be totally unfair rate of pay for people directly in to them if the ambulance workers, who had gone on strike and

> Mr William Michie (Shef-field, Heeley, Lab) asked her to admit that her Government had "shabby policies". Ambulance crews were restricted from having a living wage while her highly paid friends around the House made more from moonlighting than in their jobs as MPs. "Is it not time she cleared revised offer, costing another £6 million, which was between 9 per cent and 16.3 per cent according to where they worked and their qualifications, over a period of 18 months.

good offer. It was 16.3 per cent for those with more qualifica-tions. "We want more am-bulance men with more qualifications." She hoped that they would return to the Whitley



ntists dressed as a butcher, a doctor and a farmer in Downing Street yesterday to present a petition with 40,000 signatures protesting against the Government's decision to close the Institute of Food Research in Bristol.

MPs see problems | Compensation for subsidence demanded in EC integration

The increasing problems facing the British Parliament as a result of closer integration in Europe were aired during questions to the Prime Minister. One Conthe volume of documents emenating from Brussels placed an impossible burden on MPs.

on the European Community, said that the best way to maximize the advantage and opportunities for Britain in developing the EC, was for MPs and MEPs to work much more electric together.

Commons Procedure Committee had some proposals to make. The most important thing was to work together in such a way that Europe was open for trade and was not protectionist, and to co-operate such a way that the rights of the House were respected.

Mr John Greenway (Ryedale, C) said that the European mission wanted greater progress towards monetary prepared to reduce the gap between the real value and the

PRIME MINISTER

pound by only a third. How could there be a single market when this was so lightly dis-missed by Brussels?

an impossible burden on MPs.

Mr Hugh Dykes (Harrow East, C), who opened questions on the European Community, said that the best way to maximize the advantage and opportunities for Britain in partners to that agreement.

Mrs Thatcher said that it had been agreed to phase out the green pound by the end of 1992, which would be of great benefit to British farmers, and the United Kingdom must hold its opportunities for Britain in partners to that agreement. Mr Josethau Aitken (Thanet South, C) asked her, in speaking of the rights of this Parliament,

whether she was fully aware of the degree of disadvantage under which MPs worked as regards the flow of documents from Europe. In the past 12 months, the European Com-mission had sent the House 765 lesislating decuments legislative docur of 10,000 pages.

"Is that not an impossible total for this House to carry, over and above its existin domestic legislation?"

Mrs Thatcher agreed that there was an enormous amount of extra work in properly scrutinizing the many docu-ments coming before them.

A move to ensure that the coal industry pays proper compensation for damage caused by subsidience was made by the Opposition during the report stage of the Coal Industry Bill.

A sumber of Conservative MP from lining areas demanded argent action on

The Bill reorganizes the figurees of the industry and Mr Frank Dobson, Opposition spokesman on energy, said that the future privatization of the mines might be the reason that the Government had not included in the Bill any previsions to improve compensation arrangements for damage caused by

He moved a new clause to ensure that the deficit that the Government is to finance should include sums to cover all outstanding claims on the British Coal

He said that many people felt that subsidence provisions would be put back more and more and that then the Government would say that it would "rather not interfere to impose these awful burdens on a private coal

Damage had been caused to homes schools and public buildings. Sewage pipes were broken and farmland was

Another explanation for the Govera-ment's reluctance to make provision for subsidence damage could be that those in favour of bigger open-cast mines and of increasing the number of miners going

proper statutory compensation scheme. Successive ministers had said that a Bill to change the law would be introduced as soon as possible, but there had not been

The lowest estimate of the number of valid claims against British Coal was 25,000, provided by British Coal itself, but there were many higher estimates, particularly in Nottinghamahire and Derbyshire.

Great personal stress was caused by absidence. This was very painful for bese concerned and must be removed—articularly the gratnitous problem of aving to have a great "barney" with tritish Coal in order to get things put

right.

Mr James Lester (Broxtowe, C) said that he would associate himself with what Mr Dobson had said on subsidence. No one from Nottinghamshire could be happy with the present position.

The ones should be on the coal board to prove that damage had not been caused by subsidence rather than on the individual to show that it had.

Mr Geoffrey Lafthouse (Pontefract

Mr Geoffrey Lofthouse (Pontefract and Castleford, Lab) said that people needed independent professional advice before reaching settlements with British Coal. In the past, lack of such advice had meant that people had accepted inad-cepted compensation. equate compensation.

Mr Michael Woodcock (Ellesmere

Port and Neston, C) expressed disappointment that the Bill did nothing for the victims of mining subsidence. The case for change was overwhelming. British Coal regularly denied liability for danage it knew it had caused by relying on the statute of limitations.

"Why is British Coal allowed to act as effender, judge and jury? It is because the Government . . . continues to allow it to do just that."

The Government had had six years to

to do just that."

The Government had had six years to act and yet was still saying that the time was not right. "I cannot accept that, while the Government can find time and money to deal with the restructuring of British Coal, they cannot find the much smaller sums of money needed to deal with this problem."

My least the Characters, I also said.

Some homes were dangerous and many people sat staring at walls wondering if they would fall down on top of them. Councils could not condemn the properties because most of their houses had been sold. If they rehoused one family, they would have applications from 500 more. They were in a classic dilemma.

This was a problem of severe propor-tions — "30,000 houses within a 10-to-15-mile radius in my constituency. "We do not intend to let it go away. We are going to keep on raising this on every opportunity we can until we do get some action."

Mr Alan Meale (Mansfield, Lab) said

Peers object to 'Henry VIII

that coalifield subsidence was a national scandal. In his constituency, schools, a hospital and many other public buildings had had to be closed. There were 33,000 demaged houses, and damaged reads and services. Havoe had been caused.

Yet British Coal had been caused.

Yet British Coal had been allowed to be ladge, jury and offender and to "get away with hime murder", openly blackmailing people who could not afford to go to court.

People had been told: "Unless you accept this small, minimal sum, we will put your case to the bottom of the pile and hake it through the legal processes so that it takes years and years and years. If you risk going to the Lands Tribunal, you risk losing everything, all your savings and the rest."

He said that if any attempt were made to privatize the industry without serting out this problem, he would take part in a process of banding claims together and taking them to Europe for justice. He was sure of a ruling in favour of those who had suffered.

Ms Joan Walley (Stoke-on-Trent North, Lab) said that British Coal had done everything possible to prevent people making claims for subsidence. Those who did not know their legal rights did not find it easy to take on British Coal.

Mr Geruld Howarth (Cannock and British Coal.

Mr Gerald Howarth (Cannock and Burntwood, C) criticised British Coal's insensitivity. If the industry were in the private sector, it could not afford to ride roughshod over the feelings of people in whose areas it operated.

minor matters, over the wishes of Parliament."

Lord Mackey of Clashfern, Lord Chancellor, said that there

had been a misunderstanding

about the issue. The clause was governed by the words "in consequence of any provision made by the Order".

It was wrong to suggest that the Order could be made under

the clause being debated. An Order could only be made under

the clause relating to the alloca-tion and transfer of business and

would follow consultation with

senior members of the judiciary. It would then be subject to the affirmative resolution proce-

dure. The reimose of the clause

was to give clarity to the statute book and had nothing to do with Henry VIII clauses.

Dumping law 'being obeyed'

Britain had complied with the law and its agreements over the dumping of waste in the North Sea, the Prime Minister said at questions.

Mr John Battle (Leeds West, Lab) had asked her why the Government continued to allow dumping of toxic
waste in the face of comments last night on the
"green" Bill and of protests in the rest of Europe.

Mrs Thatcher said that she had looked to see pre-cisely what the law was. . The law and the agree

ment was that the United kingdom had agreed to phase out dumping by the end of last year, except only where there was no practical available land-based disavailable land-based dis-posal (Labour langhter) — that required a great deal of planning permission and investment. Then they had to show to the satisfaction of the Oslo Commission that the domping of the waste at sea would not cause harm. That had been done.

Hint of help on new roads

The Prime Minister hinted at question time that time could be found in the next session of Parliament for legislation increasing com-pensation to people forced to roads and rail lines.

Mr James Arbathuot (Wanstead and Woodford, C) suggested that if people were compensated more effectively delays in the building of badly needed roads and railways could be cut and in the long term a

great deal of money saved. Mrs Thatcher said that the Secretary of State for the Environment (Mr Christopher Patten) was considering whether more compensation needed to be given.

But that would mean legislation in a new Bill. There would perhaps be time, if he came to that conclusion, in the next session."

Poverty Bill introduced

Mr Jeremy Corbyn (Islington North, Lab) was given leave under the 10-minuterule procedure to bring in the Elimination of Poverty in Retirement Bill

He said that it would require local authorities and health authorities to monitor the condition of their retired population, would eliminate standing charges on gas, electricity and water and exempt pensioners from licence charges and tele-

The Prime Minister de-fended the Government's record in Scotland after being taunted with news of an opinion poil there that put Conservative strength down to 16 per cent. She saidthat public expenditure per head in Scotland was 23 per cent above the UK average.

Two reports

Because an amendment to the private Bromley London Borough Council (Crystal Palace) Bill was omitted last month and the Bill passed report stage without it, the measure will have to come up for report a second time. A motion to enable that to happen was objected to in the Commons and deferred. The Bill provides for largescale development at the Crystal Palace site in Southeast London

Parliament today

Commons (2.30): Ques-Commons (2.30). Questions: Trade and Industry.
Debate on parliamentary
pensions. Private Bills. Pensions (Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill, remaining

Lords (2.30): Debates on reunification of Germany and on tax relief on contribu-

Questions: Employment

Labour amazes new minister

Any fall in unemployment was from the peak created by the ert Cryer (Bradford South, Lab) said during questions to the new Secretary of State for Employ-ment, Mr Michael Howard. When would it fall to the 1979

Mr Howard, replying to his first questions as Secretary of State, said that he never ceased to be amazed at Labour devotion to jobs in loss-making firms which had offered no security to the workers or to the firms

Mr Cryer asked whether there was any connection between the £20 billion balance of trade deficit — another record — and two million jobs lost in manufacturing since 1979. Mr Howard said that the

2,750,000 jobs created under this Government were in firms that made profits and offered secure long-term jobs. Earlier, be had said that between January and September last year, the latest comparable date, the rate of unemployment United Kingdom than in any other large industrialized

matter for congratulation of the Government. The Delors social charter would not have improved employment in Britain. Even in Ealing, where the Labour council had doubled the industrial rate and was thor-oughly anti-business, the num-ber of jobs had improved as a

result of Government policies. Mr Howard said that Mr Greenway was right about the social charter. The improvement in the

employment position was not limited to Ealing. He hoped that Mr Tony Blair, the Labour spokesman, would welcome the 50 per cent fall in unemployment in the past three years in his constituency of Sedgefield. Further questions included

● The Health and Safety Executive now has more than 100 inspectors engaged in work on building sites, Mr Howard said. That was better than its objective of having 100 people regularly engaged on the inspec-tion of building activities by 1990, he said.

Ms Marjorie Mowlam (Redcar. Lab) questioned whether 100 inspectors were enough in Mr Harry Greenway (Ealing North, C) said that that was a



Mr Howard: Unemployment rate falling quickly

had been a sharp decrease in the number of fatal accidents in building work. In the 10 years to March 1988, there had been previous 10 years there had been

Mr Eric Heffer (Liverpool, Walton, Lab) said that there had been six deaths on the British

works but only one in France Special attention should be paid to the health and safety of these workers. Would there be an increase in health and safety staff on the British side?

Mr Howard said that this was an important point which required attention. The Government would try to ensure that it maintained its excellent record of encouraging and helping disabled people into jobs. Mr Howard said.

Mrs Joan Ruddock (Lewi-sham, Deptford, Lab) said that the Government should learn from other countries such as West Germany where the quota system of disabled people at work was rigorously enforced. Mr Howard said that there were differences between the

British and German approach; comparisons were misleading. Mr Andrew Rowe (Mid Kent, C) said that employers, particu-larly those in areas of full employment, should be made aware of the high record of job loyalty disabled people brought

a real asset to bosses. Mr Howard said that disabled people had much to offer and it was important that employers should have full regard to their

to their employment. They were

clauses' in courts measure

peers of provisions in the Courts and Legal Services Bill giving **HOUSE OF LORDS** powers to the Executive over the transfer of cases from the High Court to county courts rather than laying down those powers

in statute.
Some spoke of the "Henry VIII clauses" giving ministers absolute rights or powers to amend primary legislation by statutory instrument.

Lord Ripport of Hexhaut (C), speaking during the first day of

the committee stage, said that Parliament would be abrogating powers relating to the jurisdic-tion of the supreme and county courts to the Executive if it passed the Bill unamended. He moved an amendment to delete a clause allowing the Lord Chancellor to amend or repeal any provision made by, or under, any enactment relating to the jurisdiction, practice or procedure of the supreme or

county court as was considered

necessary or expedient, in decid-

ing the allocation of business between the high and county Courts.

He said that the clause was one of the worst examples of the growing use of Henry VIII clauses, a term "reflecting the absolutism for which that mon-

flexibility, that the Bill should provide the framework and that officials should provide the detail. There was something in the saying "the devil is in the detail". "What the Government is

saying is, because it does not know what or how it is going to proceed, it cannot say what it proposes to do, or how it proposes to implement its polis, so therefore it must have

said that it was extraordinary that the Lord Chancellor, who ought to be the guardian of constitutional proprieties, should have put forward this abrogation of power to the Executive. The provision should be excised immediately.

Lord Rawiisson of Ewell (C)
opposed the notion that a lord
chancellor could sweep aside

The excuse was the need for

blanket powers."

Lord Simon of Glaisdale (Ind)

and reject everything decided by both Houses of Parliament because it suited the convenience of the administrators, particularly the Civil Service. "Our first duty here is to say that we will not have any

"What we have here is a section which gives a lord chancellor power to increase the jurisdiction of the High Court and to increase the jurisdiction of the county court and then to make allocations of proceedings between these two courts. It is necessary to make sure that the county courts are able properly to cope with the work sent down to them." The principle, he added, "seems to me to make absolute sense".

minister taking upon himself such powers to be able do that, to ride roughshod, even on Government majority, 58.

Tories are 'confused on policy'

A "complete contradiction" in government policy was attacked by Mr Dennis Skinner (Bols-over, Lab) during discussion late on Monday of the Environmental Protection Bill. He said that the Government

"made noises" about protecting the Green Belt in the South, but MPs wanted the Green Belt in the North protected too. They would be debating the next day the report stage and third reading of the Coal In-dustry Bill, which Mr Chris-

topher Patten, Secretary of State for the Environment, supported. It allowed an increased in tonnage at open-cast mines from 25,000 to 250,000 tonnes. Large areas will suffer despoli-

ation for very many years." Mr Frank Haynes (Ashfield, Lab) complained that the Open Cast Executive planned to transfer toxic waste to a "beautiful little village" to which he had just moved in preparation for

The Secretary of State says he is worned about pollution. We have got pollution in my constituency and I want him to come up there and deal with it." The MPs were speaking dur-ing discussion of the environment Bill's money resolution

which was passed without a

The following report of later speeches in the second reading debate in the Commons on the

the Environmental Protection Bill appeared in later editions Mr Bryan Gould, for the

Opposition, moving an amend-ment declining to give the Bill a second reading, said that there was much to be welcomed in the Bill, although overall it was disappointing.
The Opposition's amendment was rejected by 282 votes to 202

Government majority, 80 and the Bill read a second time.
Mr Gould said that the Bill was "little more than a rag-bag of measures drawn from disparate sources, many of them dusted down and brought to life again simply in order to be cobbled together to give the impression, with a lick of green paint, of action and cohesion". It was replete with powers for the Secretary of State with little indication of how they were to

be exercised or assurance that they would be used. The independent pollution control inspectorate was wel-come, but even that was vitiated by the Government's failure in understanding. There was little attempt to prevent pollution, merely regulations to deal with

it once it had occurred.

The Secretary of State was cast in the role of going along with the shovel after the Lord Mayor's show. Some forms of pollution sim-

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ply could not be tolerated much was to be tolerated on the grounds that to prevent it would The comments on freedom of information had been welcome until the weasel words "subject to the exception of commercial

confidentiality". That exception was so wide as to render nugatory all the fine words with which the Government had tried to blind the House. The chief flaw was the proposal to break up the Nature Conservancy Council. The Government was throwing away 40 years of experience and scientific endeavour. It threatened

the destruction of an important science base and would deny the Government essential advice. Whatever the public position of the council, he was convinced that it remained implacably opposed to its own dissolution. Labour would support a substantial element of devolution to Scotland and Wales, but why was it necessary to destroy the

council in order to do that?

"We do not give up hope on this Bill. That is why we are not flatly opposing it. We are opposing it with a reasoned amendment which sets out the basis of our disquiet, our concerns and our disappointment. Sir Hugh Rossi (Hornsey and Hertfordshire, C) said that he

Wood Green, C), chairman of the Environment Select Committee, said that he was a little disappointed in the Bill, but it ment in the Bill. contained some useful measures which it would be irresponsible to reject.

Mr Malcolm Bruce, Liberal

Democrat spokesman on the environment and natural resources, supported the Bill. It could have been more radical. He welcomed the proposals for Scottish and Welsh nature conservancy councils and found it extraordinary that Labour opposed them. It was patroniz-

ing to suggest that conservation would not be handled properly in Scotland and Wales if the were broken up. Sir Charles Morrison (Devi-zes, C) said that the NCC was not working as well as it should. The Government was right to propose an alternative.

Mr Gordon Oakes (Halton, Lab) said that there should be a dog registration scheme to deal with dog pollution. Warning notices were no use to prevent dogs fouling. Dogs running loose were notably illiterate. Mr Andrew Bennett (Denton and Reddish, Lab) said that he was disappointed about the proposals to reorganize the Countryside Commission and the NCC, and that the Government had not included a pro-

vision on access to the countryside. Mr Robert Jones (West

Bill 'with a lick of green paint' reorganization of the NCC, but he was happy with the arrangement in the Bill.
Mr Calum Macdonald (West-

ern Isles, Lab) said that he believed in a decentralized, federal structure for the NCC, but no one had been consulted or involved before the Government had come up with the proposal. The Government's moves had been at odds with its declarations. It had aroused a

spectacular degree of oppo-sition, suspicion and confusion. Mr David Evans (Welwyn Hatfield, C) said that central London was a disgrace. Its streets were paved, not with gold, but with last night's pizzas.

Mr Simen Burns (Chelmsford, C) said that proceeds of fines for litter offences should go to local authorities to encourage them rigorously to enforce their powers as well as helping towards their litter costs. Mr Hago Summerson (Wal-thamstow, C) said that the Bill should have contained ref-

erences to dog mess and pigeon droppings, which were unsightly and an increasing health hazard. Mrs Teresa Gorman (Billericay, C) expressed concern at the number of new regulatory bod-ies proposed for industry. Mr [Christopher] Patten [Secretary of State for the Environment] should take a good look at how private industry could be helped

Funding for more training councils

Another seven Training and Enterprise Councils had been awarded development funding today, bringing the total number of TECs to 51, nine months after the initiative was amounced, Mr. Michael Hemman Secretary of Michael Howard, Secretary of State for Employment, told the

Mr least Wyn Jones (Ynys Môn, Pl C) said that there was concern in rural areas that members of the TECs might lack the breadth of experience necessary to make them a success. Few of these industrialists would have had direct experience in in-house training. in these areas it was necessary to give funding to these bodies that brought together industrialists, careers trackers, colleges, universities and training agencies to identify potential skill shortages.

Mr Howard said that all these proprietions had a part to play

organizations had a part to play in the TEC initiative. One great advantage of that initiative was that it could "draw on local circumstances" and adjust pro-grammes to take account of local

He said later that he expected the whole TEC petwork to be in place by the end of this year, two years earlier than planned. This was the most exciting training initiative ever in this country.

Mr Tony Blair, chief Opposition spokesman on employ-



st, said that Mr Howard's

said that one in five employers did not train anyone themselves but peached trained staff from others, and that half the workforce in any year would not out any training at all. What



first priority in his new job was to deal with Britain's lamentable record in training and skills.

The department itself had

get any training at all. What powers would the TECs have to prevent bad employers exploit-ing the good ones?

Mr Howard said be hoped that Mr Blair would work with

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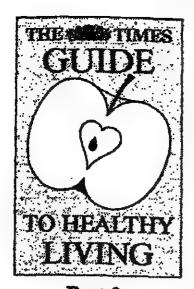
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In the age of gyms and jogging, there is evidence that personality may be as important as physical fitness. Victoria McKee

reports

hat is the latest thinking on exexercising the inclination to abstain from it? Is a tranquil mind a more important factor in determining long-term health than a perfectly tuned body, or are the two linked? The Seventies sorted people into As, Bs and Cs according to their socio-economic category. In the Eighties the same letters were used to designate psychological types, and a profile of heart attack and cancer "personalities" began to emerge, with the impatient, explosive Type A tending towards the former and the introverted, emotion-bottling Type C the

Can we draw on what we know of them — and some of the trials and errors of the Eighties — to compose a sensible bineprint for physical and mental health in the

Experts are beginning to believe that, if pathological personalities exist, there must be such a thing as a healthy personality - and that we can be trained to achieve it. For some people that may involve learning to be more selfish and assertive, for others becoming calmer and less aggressive. And for the Type E person (defined by Dr Harriet Braiker in the United States as the person, usually a woman, who tries to be everything to everybody) it might involve a complete re-thinking of priorities. It may sound impossible, but some claim that, given the right impetus, we can change the personality we thought we were born with, At the Bristol Cancer Health Centre, for example, patients practise mind over matter techniques, learning to fight the disease as an emotional enemy rather than succumb to it

On this page are two healthy young women, each of whom feels she is at her peak of looks, energy Cotys Ban and condition. One has achieved a superb state of fitness from regular and vigorous exercise, and a conscious attempt at healthy eating. The other attributes her sense of well-being to the power of positive thinking — despite admitting to a self-indulgent lifestyle and a diet that reads like a mutitionist's nightmare. Can a positive frame of mind over-ride negative factors - or will the abstemious

exerciser enjoy the last laugh? Can adopting a Scarlett O'Hara philosophy be one of the keys to a healthy personality? The thickskinned heroine of Gone With the Wind, who thought about unpleasant things "tomorrow", did not waste energy on guilt or self-

Dr Marie Johnston, reader in psychology at the Royal Free Hospital in London with a special interest in the relationship between attitude and health, believes Scarlett may have been on to Something, Johnston says research by Professor Martin Seligman in the United States into the psychology and lifespan of baseball players, revealed that those who always claimed full credit for their victories and blamed others for their defeats invariably lived longer than those who attributed triumph to teamwork but shoul-

dered responsibility for losing. Does this mean we should all start shamelessly passing the buck? "Well," Johnston says, "it certainly seems healthy to be able to give a positive interpretation to ambiguous events. If the doctor walks past their bed some hospital patients will assume it's because they're well enough not to need his attention, whereas others will Worry that there's nothing more he can do for them." She says reports of numerous studies indicate that the former are more likely to be

Survivors than the latter.

So "attributional style" - how



Champagne lifestyle: Susie Bick loves lounging around and says she cannot stand even the thought of exercise, "I don't worry about things"



you attribute what happens to you, for good or bad - may be important. Johnston says it is not what happens that matters so much as how people perceive what happens, and their methods of coping with it. "Whichever risk factor you look at - smoking, lack of exercise, a traumatic life event - it doesn't kill everyone. There's reasonable evidence that people who complain of a lot of sympthemselves as healthy they have a toms have what is known as negative affectivity, and describe

things in a way that's anxious and Johnston subscribes to the theory of the "hardy personality, which is increasingly thought to be predictive of good health". She explains: "These people are committed to

Someone who has to get to a squash court for 40 minutes of violent exercise because they're worried about their health is not exercising in a healthy way

change how they about events. People can be taught how to change a negative thought to a neutral one, and a neutral to a positive. A driven Type A can become more like a calm Type B by teaching him or her to chew more slowly, walk more slowly and control their environment at a cognitive level so that it doesn't annoy them so much."

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So if the telephone rings while you are in the bath you can either become agitated that you cannot get to it in time or philosophize that you might have been out and

missed it anyway.
"A study in the United States took people who had had one heart attack and helped them to learn to manage stress better in this way, and they had fewer sub-sequent attacks," Johnston says. "And Type Bs can be very successful people: it's a mistake to equate Type A behaviour with success and Type B with mediocrity."

professor of psychology at the University of London, who has done studies on reducing hyper-Dr David Zigmund, a specialist in psychosomatic illnesses who works at the Hammersmith Hostension, says: "One must see psychological characteristics in pital, London, is a firm believer in healthy and unhealthy personal-ities. "A lot of work has been done interaction with the life you lead. on visualization in cancer, and If you have certain maladaptive ways of coping with the environpeople who can see themselves as active agents with the power to fight the disease do much better ment, there are ways you can change. Those who seem to overthan those who see themselves as ride the negatives are those who passive victims. If people regard People with a more extensive network of social contacts are

much better chance of being so. "But even if you're happy and feel your life is same and in balance, it's still a negative factor to eat all the wrong things," he says. "You can't say, 'I'm a happy person so I can smoke 100 cigarettes a day'. On the other hand,

> has to get to a squash court for 40 minutes of violent exercise because they're worried about their health is not exercising in a healthy way. Zigmund lists "optimism and trust" as two of the most important attributes of the healthy person-

"an ability to be in touch with your feelings, since so much illness is about not resistering your feelings so the unconscious develops the symptoms."

Dr Jan de Winter, who runs the Jan de Winter Cancer Prevention Clinic in Brighton, believes in the power of the mind to trigger or control disease, but also advocates exercise for the "endorphins" it builds up in the body which, he believes can, "boost the immune system to fight off the hostile elements bombarding as all the time". But Dr Ian Cockerill. 2 sports psychologist at Birmingham University, points out that endorphins, the body's equivalent to morphine, can become

"People can become addicted to the feeling they get from exercise," Cockerill says, "and withdrawal symptoms can be severe." Professor Andrew Steptoe,

A HAPPY MODEL OF SELF-INDULGENCE

usie Bick, aged 23 and a size 10, is a top international model who exists on a diet of becon and eggs, sausage and mash, crisps and chocolate and whose idea of exercise is to switch on the video or stroll down to her local wine bar. Her favourite activity is, she confesses, "lying in bed drinking champagne, eating chocolates and watching television: I just love lounging around."

She "can't stand even the thought of exercise", and "can't est vegetarian meals because they don't seem like proper food to me. I went

to my doctor because I was wondering about my diet and he said I could have sausage and mash every day and it wouldn't matter, but I suppose I

may have to change my ways a bit when I'm older."

She also smokes about 20 cigarettes a day and enjoys drinking—
"although not before I'm working, because I wake up looking puffy". She is convinced she looks and feels so good, despite her diet of "rubbish", partly because youth is on her side, and also because she is a positive

"I believe that positivity breads positivity and negativity attracts negative energy," she says. "I guess I'm just a happy person. I don't worry about things. If something bad happens to me I just think tomorrow's another day, and indulge in things that make me happy."

ON THE RUN FROM FLABBY MIDDLE AGE

laine Jordan, aged 37 and a muscular nine stone, is an environmental health officer with Birmingham City Council, and is soon to be a tutor with the Health Education Authority's miles a week, goes to "popmobility" (movement to music) classes two or three times a week, enters marathons and goes fell-running as a hobby.

She constantly sets herself challenges. "I like to think I don't get ratty if I don't get a run, and I like to think I'm not obsessed by it, but most

probably I am," she says. "I've been interested in healthy eating for 15 years, and although I have been vaguely obsessive — in that I'd rather have gone hungry than eaten white bread — I'm now more philosophical

She has worked through shin splints and Achilles tendonitis, and a fractured ankle kept her from running for three weeks, during which time she continued to keep fit on a rowing machine. Although she admits she feels frustrated if something keeps her from her daily workout, she finds exercise "a pleasure. I'm very fortunate that I enjoy something that's good for me. I really enjoy the feeling of being tired from exercise. I've never hit the 'runner's high' yet — but maybe that's what keeps me going." So, she admits, does the spectre of a flabby middle age.

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all their commitment to a single

person or thing."

Steptoe recommends regular,

"rhythmic" exercise. "From the psychological point of view there's

good evidence that moderate aero-bic exercise improves people's

moods and the way they cope with stress. But whereas performance

in professional sportsmen and

women seems to increase as they

become aroused, a state of calm

energy is more desirable. One

wants high levels of energy with-

and yoga are one way of attaining

Dr Craig Sharp, director of physical science for the British

Olympic Medical Centre, believes

that exercise in the 1990s should

he "controlled stretching, com-

bined with brisk walking, for the

heart and lungs. The message is

coming home that it's very dan-

gerous to do bouncy stretches, as

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proven that brisk walking is better

than the controlled shuffle which,

But Sharp concedes that "given

the choice between a contented

sloth and an obsessive dieter and

exerciser, I'd say the sloth might

have a good chance of being

Provided, of course, the sloth is

genuinely content. The worst of

both worlds, experts agree, is to do

no exercise and eat all the wrong

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Can you control

your environment -

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unhealthy lifestyle.

to most people, is 'running'."

DANGERS OF POUNDING THE PAVEMENT

Keep fit with the old fogey

be violent to be useful. The good news is that the old fogey striding out, shod in sensible shoes, dressed in tweeds and wrapped in a thick topcoat, for a brisk, daily half hour's walk is doing his health almost as much good as the sweaty, tracksuited jogger who pounds the pavements. Indeed, it may well be only the jogger's expensive trainers which are sav-ing his spine, hips and knees from irremedial damage.

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Research workers at Glasgow and Loughborough Universities have recently confirmed that the important factor in taking exercise, particularly for the over-35s, is that it should be regular and brisk, and never spasmodic and violent; in this way the advantages are reaped but complications avoided. One recent study from Loughborough showed that even a half hour's weeding in the garden each day was all that was necessary to improve health.

More rigorous exercise schedules, organized team games or competitive squash or tennis can bring great pleasure, relieve stress and add a point to the daily fitness schedule; they are beneficial so long as the games themselves, or the training programme for them, involves exercising at least three times a week. It is said that the man who leaves his chair by the television only to drive to the office has a better prognosis than the once-a-week squash player, that the person who exercises vigorously twice a week has the same bealth prospects as the sedentary man, and that only when vigorous exercise is taken three times a week or more do the advantages become apparent.

Hard exercise becomes fun only when you are fit; when starting afresh, or after a lapse of time, any exercise schedule must begin gradually, for even a three-week holiday can upset the body's rhythm. Before a heavy training programme is undertaken by the over-40s, it is advisable to have a fitness assessment, which should include an exercise ECG (heart tracing). Exercise should never be undertaken by people when they have a feverish infection, for rather than sweating it out they might well collapse from sudden severish is thought to account for several previously unexplained deaths in young people each year.

level of endorphins, morphia-like substances which are found in high concentrations in the central nervous system, where they are able to react to produce a sense of well-being as well as relieving any pain. This may well be one of the reasons why exercise can become addictive, for without it some people will miss their daily fix. It is also the endorphins which

are blamed by some research

effects of severe, prolonged exercise in women. They suggest that the endorphins inhibit the action of the pituitary gland, the conductor of the endocrine orchestra in which the reproductive hormonal glands are players. A good indication that women are exercising too hard is when their periods become irregular. Women who exercise too punishingly - daily exercise pushing their pulse rate up to the 150 mark - stop ovulating and lose their menstrual periods. A survey of Olympic women athletes showed that only a few still

had a normal cycle.

Women athletes also lose their secondary sexual characteristics; the rounded contours disappear and breasts and genitalia shrivel. Women athletes, too, are prone to develop osteoporosis in later life, having been deprived in their active years of the female hormone oestrogen as a result of their physical training; conversely, reasonable amounts of exercise improve the body's defence against osteoporosis.

Women sometimes over-exercise as part of a misplaced campaign to lose weight. Hyperactivity can become part of the anorexic syndrome in which a woman's image of her body is distorted and no device is spurned which might shed the pounds.

the physiology of the archetypel woman is as well designed for Olympic feats as a man's. Her pelvis is set at an awkward angle for easy running, and to compound her musculo-skeletal problems a woman's best control mechanism is less efficient than a man's: she sweats less and her additional subcutaneous fat insulates the body, keeping the heat generated by exercise within the muscles.

Most sports provide exercise some relaxation as well. Golf, provided it is not too competitive, is ideal. Inevitably it involves a brisk five-mile walk; likewise dinghy sailing in blowy conditions provides exercise and interest. But for most people the secret of

taking enough exercise is to forswear idleness. They should climb the stairs and ignore the lift; walk to the shops or office rather mower rather than ride it. Those who are by nature lazy need to plan their daily walk and make it a fixed routine; they could, for instance, make a point of collecting the evening paper from the

Exercise will not only make you feel better, you will be better; you will have less time off work, you will decrease your chance of heart disease, you will lose weight, lower your blood pressure and perhaps even cure insomnia.

Dr Thomas Stuttaford

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TIMES DIARY

NIGEL WILLIAMSON

iberal Democrats, doing badly at home, see possibilities opening up in Eastern Europe. The former Liberal leader, Jeremy Thorpe is, I gather, having talks with King Michael of Romania on what role the Romanian royal family can play in the return to democracy. Richard Holme, former Liberal party president, flew to Prague this week to advise Vaclav Havel, the Czechoslovak president, on how to organize elections on the lines of propor-tional representation. Andy Ellis, the Liberal Democrats' former chief executive, is now in Hungary after a trip to Romania, and the Young Liberal Democrats have signed a joint declaration with the new League of Young Democrats of Romania. Whether there will be anyone left to run the campaign in the forthcoming Mid Stafford-shire by-election remains to be seen.

ould former Romanian president Nicolae Ceausescu and his wife Elena still be alive? Yes, I know we all saw the pictures of their blood-stained bodies just after Christmas, but these things can be faked, as anyone who saw Rik Mayall as Alan B'Stard in ITV's The New Statesman last weekend will know. Bob Dunn, the Tory backbencher and former minister, has written to Douglas Hurd, the Foreign Secretary, asking what evidence there is that the old dictator is really dead. Contacts in Romania have told Dunn that the country is abuzz with rumour that the Ceausescus are still alive. No doubt The Sunday Sport will tell us next weekend that Ceausescu is not only alive and well but living in a bed-sit in Neasden with Elvis Presley.

The Scottish authorites are sending out warrants to an estimated half million people who have not paid their poll tax, introduced there last April. Among them, I learn, are at least 10 Labour MPs who have defied their party's front-beach line, which is to comply with the law while continuing to campaign against it. Alex Falconer, a Labour MEP, has already been to court for refusing to register, and among Westminster MPs, Willie McKelvey, James Wray and frontbench spokeswoman Maria Fyfe all confirm that they have not paid. All expect to receive warrants shortly and will find themselves liable for a 10 per cent surcharge, plus costs. If they still refuse to pay, their bank accounts may be frozen. Wray told me that in Strathclyde a "supposedly socialist council" was using "iackboot tactics" to force the unemployed to pay up. I was unable to contact Ron Brown to discover whether he was planning another court appearance for non-payment while the usually affable and helpful frontbencher Robin Cook, who originally said he would not pay, refused to tell me whether he has now paid or not.

BARRY FANTONI



A bloke outside says he's just seen a hippo on the A303'

ust for the record, the much touted snooker tournament at Chevening last weekend, where John Major assembled his team to begin planning his first Budget, was won by the mandarins, Sir Terence Burns and Sir Peter Middleton, who obviously enjoyed more of a misspent youth than their ministerial bosses. The social evening is traditional at Chevening. Under Nigel Lawson the entertainment consiste of singing madrigals. In Sir Geoffrey Howe's time it was charades, which led to some very strange incidents. Treasury civil servants still recall interrupting a game to inform ministers that sterling was crashing towards parity with the dollar and finding Peter Rees, minister of state, on all fours, barking.

ohn Taylor, a black barrister of West Indian descent, has just been appointed special adviser to Home Office ministers of state John Patten and David Mellor. He unsuccessfully fought Birmingham Perry Barr for the Tories against Labour's Jeff Rooker at the last general election and his appointment follows Labour's elevation of Paul Boateng, the first black front-bencher on either side of the House. His appointment is believed to be a first, although I understand there is still no sign of the first black Conservative pariamentary candidate being selected in a winnable seat.

Can this compromise save Cambodia?

Michael Leifer warns of a Khmer Rouge victory if the UN role fails fficials from the five permanent members of the United Nations Secgovernment for the Khmer vacant. Hun Sen had demanded

urity Council, meeting in Paris since Monday to discuss an Australian proposal for resolving the Cambodian conflict, have agreed that the UN should play an enhanced role. They will seek a political settlement through the vehicle of a UN interim administration charged ultimately with conducting national elections.

The momentum of diplomacy which has been revived as a result is expected to be sustained through another round of talks in Jakarta, where the detail can be worked out.

The central feature of Australia's proposal, which has been broadly accepted, is that it seeks to overcome the problem of internal power-sharing, the main factor in the failure of an international conference on Cambodia held last August, also in Paris. Contention over powersharing has centred both on the status of the administration in Phnom Penh - imposed in January 1979 by Vietnamese force of arms — and on a role in

that it be declared vacant last August as a precondition for a UN role in monitoring the final withdrawal of Vietnamese forces. Deadlock on that issue prevented any authoritative verification of the withdrawal,

The plan is replete with difficulties — not surprising, given the complexity of the Cam-bodian situation. A UN administrative role to facilitate a transfer of power is within the organization's experience but has never before been coupled with declaring vacant a scat in the General Assembly.

which took place in September.

A more substantial difficulty in the way of a UN role is the likely scope of the undertaking given anticipated problems over a ceasefire. The financial cost of peace-keeping is not expected to be overwhelming in the light of Japan's expressed willingness to help underwrite it. More pressing would be the prospect of heavy casualties should peace-

keeping require enforcement escree. In such circumstances it is uncertain which states would be prepared to risk the human cost.

in addition, the success of Australia's proposal requires the kind of prior compromise between contending Cambodians and their external backers which, if practicable, would have pro-vided a basis for a political settlement before now. A UN administration, however desirable for Cambodia, can only be an expression of such a

The prospects for such com-

promise are still doubtful. They depend on the willingness of external backers to contain the warring Cambodian parties and also the extent to which the civil war has assumed an autonomy beyond immediate control. Among the Security Council members, the Soviet Union is sympathetic to the plan, which would relieve it of involvement in another regional conflict. The

the plan holds out the prospect of an alternative to both the Khmer Rouge and the consolidation of the Vietnamese imposed regime. China has shown unexpected flexibility in Paris but has not gone beyond earlier support for a UN role as a means of securing verification of Viet-

nam's military withdrawal.

Most governments are now convinced of the fact of that withdrawal. It may be that in the light of China's still difficult international position, and also common opposition with Vietnam to multi-party democracy, that Peking has decided on a reconciliation with Hanoi. If so, it could be decisive, because Sino-Vietnamese relations have been at the centre of the Cambodien conflict from the outset. None the less, the practical endorsement of Australia's proposal still requires a willingness by the warring parties and their external backers to observe elec-toral rules applied by an impartial administering authority. It is still not clear just what is the precise attitude of the Phnom Penh government, and of Prince Sihanouk, to taking part in an electoral process whose outcome they cannot determine. The Khmer Rouge in particular has never played by impartial rules and it is not to be expected that its leaders would countenance the implementation of any proposal which might deny it ui-

timate victory.

Australia's proposal for a UN solution to the Cambodian conflict has been taken up at a time when the government in Phnom Penh faces growing military threat, in particular from the Khmer Rouge. The new agreement deserves every encouragement. It would be a tragic irony if Western states found themselves standing by helplessly, while the Frankenstein's monsier, the Khmer Rouge, which they have helped to recreate, crushes all in its path en route to power in Phnom Penh. The author is Professor of International Relations at the London School of Economics.

Tamara Dragadze presents the Azerbaijani view of the recent violence

Why Baku is stained with blood

ear Shemakha in Az-erbaijan, I was told by a woman villager, is a shrine so holy that Russian Malakans, Armenians and Azerbaijanis all used to pray there. The last hope of a return to such idyllic days, at least for the foreseeable future, probably died two days ago when about 32 people, mostly Armenians, were killed in Baku, by rampaging gangs of Azerbaijani youths.

Niyazi Ibragimov, committee member of the informal New Moussavat Party, told me yesterday, from Baku, of his despair as Russian troops and marines arrived in the republic. "We are always punished when we retali-ate against Armenian oppres-sion," he said.

I believe much of the tragedy in the area has arisen through the lack of reliable information, which left everyone, including the government, relying on hear-say. The Azerbaijanis feel that continual injustice has been done them by the media in the West, as well as within the Soviet Union. Television has shown Armenian victims only; the press reports Armenian casualties; rarely is there a mention of Azerbaijani refugees or victims of violence.

Things have changed, but the stereotyped images of the Azerbaijanis remain: as wild Turkish hordes or - though they say they have received no donations for refugee resettlment from elsewhere in the Muslim

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Rouge.
The tripartite insurgent co-

alition, which includes the

Khmer Rouge and is led nom-inally by Prince Norodom Siha-

nouk, has demanded that the Phnom Penh administration be

dismantled before elections in

favour of an interim one

comprising all four Cambodian

factions. This demand has en-

joyed strong support, from

China in particular, but has been rejected by Cambodia's prime minister, Hun Sen, who opposes

any role for the Khmer Rouge.

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sharing by setting it aside. It provides for dismanthing the

Phnom Penh regime and rules

out the formation of a four-party

interim administration, including the Khmer Rouge, before national elections. It seeks to

sweeten the pill for Phnom Penh

by having Cambodia's seat in the UN — currently held by the insurgent coalition — declared

Australia's plan seeks to over-

When Abel Aganbegyan, Gorbachov's economic adviser, said in November 1987 that the enclave of Nagorno-Karabakh should change its administration from Azerbaijan to Armenia, the Azerbaijanis panicked. As Armenians campaigned within Na-gorno-Karabakh and in Armenia, Azerbaijanis felt betrayed by Moscow's silence. Had the Kremlin stated firmly at the start that no changes to constitutional borders would be contemplated, and used force to prove it, the Azerbaijanis say they would have felt more confident. This conflict has been called

"ethnic" when it is really a territorial dispute between two nation-states. Since the summer, reports

have been reaching Azerbaijan of an Armenian build-up of an arsenal of weapons. In accordance with their plan to annexe Nagorno-Karabakh, they were allegedly trying to expel the Azerbaijani minority living there. By the winter there were rumours that Armenians were also trying to occupy the two districts of Azerbaijani territory between the Armenian republic and Nagorno-Karabakh by force. Earlier, about 16,000 Azerbaijanis in the capital of Stepanakert had allegedly been forced to leave and become

It was a case, the Azerbaijanis claimed, of "If you don't like



what is going on in Nagorno-Karabakh, then leave it." No wonder, they say, that Moscow eventually abdicated control. There were also claims that Azerbaijani villages in the en-clave had their water and electricity cut off by the Armenian administrators and, because roads were blocked by armed Armenian gangs, Azerbaijanis had to travel by helicopter to reach Azerbaijani settlements in the enclave.

The most recent events were sparked off by reports of an escalation of the "guerrilla" thrust to achieve Armenian control of Nagorno-Karabakh. Not oniv was a missile found among building materials being sent from Armenia to Nazorno-Karabakh, I was told, but a group of local Armenian dignitaries of the Shaumyan region to the north was found travelling with an

arsenal of weapons which were later shown on television. Azerbaijanis intercepted them and these people are now in detention, although it is impossible to discover their present whereabouts.

The Armenians were outraged and allegedly arrested 43 Azerbaijanis, including women and children, as hostages. The members of the Azerbaijani informal opposition, now severely fractured into a Popular Front Social Democratic Party. New Moussavat Party and several other parties, were nevertheless united in their fury.

The local Communist Party and government appealed for calm. However, the people, used to endless public meetings and inclined to voice their demands loudly, cried out for vengeance and suggested that 50 Armenians be taken hostage and exchanged for the Azerbaijanis. It was then that the leaders lost control and

groups of Azerbaijani youths apparently took the law into their own hands. Two of them were killed by a hatchet-wielding Armenian when they tried to take him hostage. When this was announced the counter-killing

began. Humiliated once again, as after the Summit massacre of Armenians, the Azerbaijanis have to face what has happened and its consequences. Nobody can justify the violent behaviour of young people out of control, estedly, but then plea is that the events should be understood in context.

Above all, they ask that a distinction be made between the spontaneous atrocities in Baku and the actions and pronouncements of Azerbaijanis who are committed to the defence of their territory. They say that the young men of the so-called voluntary militia have armed themselves to protect rural areas

rate of charge, then tailor the transfer of funds to achieve that

rate. Arguably, an average

community charge of £66 a head

would be far too low to achieve

local accountability and so the

Government could settle on, say,

encroachment because everyone else had turned a blind eye to the situation for a long time.

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It is against this background, the Azerbaijanis say, that the troops sent by Moscow will have to show themselves to be impartial and ocommit themselves to restoring the Azerbaijanis' constitutional residence rights.
The Azerbaijanis have a lot to

lose. They believe that if they were allowed to manage their own economy they would not be the impoverished republic they are, despite their oil and other mineral resources. The economic basis for their demands for sovereignty and, for some politicians, independence, is a

hey dismiss the rhetoric of the outside press, especially that of the West, which attributes Islamic fervour to Azerbaijani nationalism. Worker leaders have told me that Russian workers in the republic have joined in strikes because they too have become convinced that their rights and economic improvements would be better served by devolution of power from the centre.

Yet Armenian sentiments are strong, and felt to be sacred. They say that justice as promised by Gorbachov can be achieved only through recognition of their historical rights to territories of Greater Armenia as they have defined them. But Azerbaijanis argue that Nasorno-Karabakh was under a Muslim Khanate before it was annexed by Russia. under the Tsars.

Such claims and counterclaims are no way forward to a ably both sides recognize it.

Eventually, if enough people committed to democracy and constitutional settlement can make their voices heard, then there can surely be a way out. At the moment, both sides can only mourn their dead and nurse their wounded pride.

The author, a research fellow at the School of Oriental and African Studies, has just returned from Azerbaijan.

Michael Mates puts the case for a switch to central funding

Easing the poll tax burden

To try to buy off those who are crying foul for local reasons will increase public expenditure, and together total another £3 billion. therefore exacerbate the Government's problems without making the tax any more acceptable. believe there is a way out of this potential disaster. We must lower the charge and so ease this new and, in some respects, unfair burden by transferring the financial responsibility for some services from local to central government. Most of the trouble with the poll tax and the uniform business rate is that they are being introduced at unaccept-

but the situation demands it. Education, for example, accounts for half of local govern-ment expenditure. In 1990-91 local authority spending in England will be an estimated £30 billion, of which some £15 billion will be devoted to education. Teachers' salaries alone account for about a quarter of local expenditure, or £7 billion, and the police and fire services

ably high levels. To transfer tax

Transferring responsibility for these to the Exchequer would dramatically lighten the burden of the community charge. For example, excluding all educational expenditure from local responsibility (assuming the effective rate of grant support remains the same) would reduce

the average charge from the current estimate of £278 a head to some £66, if all relief were given to the individual and not the business rate payer.

By the same token, if teachers' salaries alone were removed from local budgets, the average charge would fall to about £180, and if police and fire services

were taken out as well, to £140. The principles behind the uniform business rate are sound - the redressing of the balance between the South and other regions to make business costs fairer - but the timing and consequences of revaluation could be catastrophic, given the slower growth. So any ameliora-tion should be shared between the domestic charge payer and the business rate payer.

The critics say this would mean an unacceptable increase in public expenditure. I do not think so. Local authorities could cheat by hiding higher expenditure within the Government's increased grant, but here we have a unique opportunity to prevent them.

All local authorities will soon announce the figure for their first community charge. If the Government then announced that it would assume some costs, it could also state precisely the potential saving for each local authority and offer relief to the authority on condition that the entire sum was passed on to the local people. Any authority which declined would be left to explain at the next local election why it had rejected the Government's offer. This approach

avoids the need for legislation decide on a politically acceptable and would prevent local authorities treating such a grant as a windfall

How much will the Exchequer

- and therefore the general tax payer - have to find to make good the shortfall? If the financing of all education were to be undertaken by central government, the Exchequer would have to find some £7 billion. But at least £3 billion of that would be saved at once, as the result of a significantly lower community charge; the Government has already set aside £2.5 billion in community charge benefits, £300 million in transitional relief for 1990-91, and £500 million in exemptions and reductions to the charge; much of this would become unnecessary. That leaves only about £4 billion to be met by the

Exchequer: in fact a net reduc-

One advantage of a solution

like this is that you can first

tion in public expenditure.

£150 as a reasonable sum and

transfer accordingly. Teachers' salaries would be an obvious choice, because they have always been negotiated nationally. Education, in short, is a national investment. Yet, because it is undesirable totally to break the local link, part of the costs should continue to be raised locally. So, if it were administratively convenient to transfer teachers' salaries, and then add the cost of police and fire services, the Exchequer would have to find an additional £5 billion or so.

The community charge would drop to an average of £140, the savings based as above would be some £1.5 billion, leaving £3.5

billion to be found from general taxation, or about 2p on the standard rate. Since the Public Sector Debt Repayment is forecast this year to be £12.6 billion, the whole cost could be absorbed in that.

I accept that the consequent release of demand into the economy at a critical moment in the battle against inflation would have to be reflected in the coming Budget, and appropriate adjustments made. Politicians are there to address priorities, and it is difficult to think of a higher priority than the avoidance of the damage inherent in the present arrangements.

As this Government pointed out when it turned its back on all the alternatives, in the 1983 White Paper on rates reform: "No consensus can be found for an alternative local tax to replace domestic rates . . . The Government have concluded and announced to Parliament that rates should remain for the foreseeable future the main source of local revenue for local government"

These words have come back to haunt us, and for the sake of our people as well as our party something must be done. The author is Conservative MP for Hampshire East.

On Sunday I watched Simon Grav's Old Flames on BBC2 in a state of high excitement. It was all about mysterious telephone calls which turn out to be from an old school contemporary getting even by killing theatre critics or

"That's it!" I cried aloud. "This explains Peter Carro." Before Christmas a person of that name left a telephoned message at the stage door of the Lyric, Hammersmith. "Good luck," it said mysteriously. I have no friend of that name so I ignored it.

Then he rang again, though not to speak to me. Indeed, he introduced himself to a startled management as me and said he wouldn't be in to do the show that evening. His voice, apparently, was a passable imitation of mine; only his lucidity gave him away. You cannot ignore mysteries. They clump about the subconscious at bedtime. As far as I birth where indicated on the fifth can recall I have not, like Stephen Fry in Old Flames, run over my ex-lover's husband in my BMW, at least, not intentionally, but I bet this nutter turns out to be

someone I was at school with. A disadvantage of theatre listings is that people know where you are. Yesterday brought "Dear Griff, Due to my recent hysterectomy I am unable to travel to Hammersmith to see you in Thark. Would you therefore kindly send me your autographed photo to cheer me up", and demands for autographs from, among others, Yvette the Con-queror, Rosie and Peter Lunney

("please let me have your date of

slip of paper enclosed"). It is disconcerting to be the object of a hobby as undiscriminating as train spotting. (These people send identical requests to Dinsdale Landen, for heaven's sake.)

But the post is as nothing to the human tide washed up at the stage door. Some years ago there was the man, in army fatigues, who claimed he had worked in the flies on Not in Front of the Audience. He was in a state. 'Thank God you're here, Griff," he said. "You remember me. don't you? You must remember me!" He started sobbing. "I'm in the Territorials, see. I've lost my pass and I've got to get home."



I say, old boy, are you a hit man?

GRIFF RHYS JONES

Home for the part-time fly operator and South Londonaccented semi-professional soldier was in Glasgow. It took ten minutes to find out that he was prepared to go by coach and eight quid to see him off.

That same week came the old school friend; not Henniker-Gotley, not Tompsett, Roberts or Horth, or even Woolard, whom one would quite like to see again (Charles Lambert, please ring in), but Noone. Well I hardly remember Noone, even though I have just remembered him. Conversation over tea and cake was stilted.

"Well, you seem to have done all right for yourself," he started. They usually do. It brings things to a halt. There is no answer, except perhaps "Mmmmm" - a noise made by sticking a meringue in the mouth and chewing hard. "Have another cake," I said. But Noone had a far-away

look in his eye. "I've been living in Hong Kong," he said. (It was that far away, the look) Luckily he was not trying to get home. It would be more than eight quid, even by coach. No, he had had his fill of the East and was home looking for company and a new

Well, I didn't feel like providing either. I am not a Somerset Maugham short story; life is too long Luckily, I managed to be very boring and he went off and tried the old boys' association instead. Then, on Monday evening, I was sitting in the theatre bar. On the adjacent stool was a bloke with a beard.

"Remember me?" he said.

"No, but I guess you were at school with me," I replied. "Correct," he said, "I got expelled in 1972, the year before you were made head boy." Well, I never was made head boy, and I cannot imagine why he was expelled unless it was for the beard. Perhaps he was thinking of a different school. "You've done all right for yourself," he started. There were no meringues to hand, so I stuffed a napkin in my mouth and ran to make-up.

In the dressing room, Dinsdale was ecstatic. "It's very good news," he said, scribbling a note to cheer up the lady with the hysterectomy. "It means we're in a success. You only get these people when you're in a success. Have you had the long lost relatives on your mother's side yet?" "I don't think so," I replied, and paused, "Is Carro by any chance a Welsh name?"

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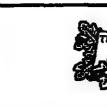
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MR MODROW'S CHOICE

Mr Hans Modrow made a brief but, for an East German Prime Minister, unprecedented excursion yesterday across the now ruinous Berlin Wall. Meanwhile, at the Office of National Security the staff were clearing away the debris left by angry protesters on Monday. Such images of conciliation and catharsis abound in Berlin in these stirring times.

Fast as it is, however, the pace of political change is not fast enough for many East Germans. They are impatient to be consulted. and are sceptical of the communist-led coalition's interest in doing so. They refuse to recognize Mr Modrow's right to represent them merely because, unlike his predecessor, he does not stand accused of corruption or even treason. They do not wish a renamed Stasi to protect their socialist Constitution from "anti-socialist elements" because they do not believe in socialism.

It is the Stasi they fear, and their only wish is to live under the same political system as their neighbours in the Federal Republic. Without socialism, though, Fast Germany would lose its rationale as a separate state.

Nobody knows for certain how many East Germans think along these lines, but they are likely to be a majority. The thousands who are still emigrating to the Federal Republic are tangible evidence that the country is still unwilling to entrust the general election due in May to communist politicians, of whom Mr Modrow was one, who held high office during the systematic rigging of the local elections in May last year.

At the roundtable talks between government and opposition, few if any participants represent the many people who want an end to the whole experiment of a divided Germany. Mr Modrow prefers to deal with those: opposition groups, such as the New Forum or the reconstituted Social Democrats, which have so far steadfastly refused to question the desirability of an East German state. Most of these opposition politicians are committed to some form of socialism, and many would have much to lose in a reunited Germany. Hence

they are promoting the idea that the renunciation of East German sovereignty would be a "sell-out" to capitalism. They are not without encouragement from abroad: there are many in Britain and elsewhere who would like to believe that the reunification of Germany could be indefinitely postponed.

But if the promise of free elections is worth anything, the East German electorate is entitled to express a view on the question of sovereignty. Mr Modrow's attempt to reinstate the secret police on the grounds that neo-Nazis would otherwise exploit the loss of authority of the State was rightly rejected even by those privileged opposition leaders who have been admitted to the round-table talks. It is unacceptable for the communists to exclude from the electoral process anyone who questions the legitimacy of a state, the raison d'etre of which is the perpetuation of socialism on German soil.

Logic as well as convenience dictate that reunification should be addressed on the international plane by the two German states. and other interested parties, only after the question of the ideological orientation of the German Democratic Republic has been finally resolved by the forthcoming elections. Both Nato and the Soviet Union have legitimate security interests, while Poland and Czechoslovakia might also require guarantees.

But there is no doubt that, while negotiations are postponed, the issue of reunification ought quite properly to play a part in the campaigning for the May election. Mr Modrow will already have forfeited his mandate to guide the country through the transition to genuine democracy unless he can persuade ordinary East Germans that he is ready to allow them to elect a government which will represent their convictions on reunification.

The onus is on the Modrow Government to prove its people's fears unjustified; but the price of failure may be a collapse of authority so total that only the Federal Republic could restore order. Reunification may come by con-sent or by default; the choice is Mr Modrow's.

FALSE DAWN IN BUCHAREST

The trials announced for this week of the fallen dictator's most notorious son and other key figures in the Ceausescu régime may help to assuage popular demands for revenge. Romania's ruling National Salvation Front has a harder task on its hands, however: that of retaining the credibility necessary to govern people hungry for change, and suspicious that 'their" revolution has been stolen from them by a palace coup.

The Front appeared to begin the new year auspiciously. It disbanded the hated Securitate, invited political parties to register and abolished the death penalty. It shortened the industrial working week and gave peasants the right to own plots of land. The destruction of Romanian villages has been halted, contraception and abortions have been legalized and all Romanians given the right to passports.

These measures have not allayed suspicion that the Front is just the smiling face of the ancien regime. The new year decree prohibits the registration not only of fascists but of parties with "ideas that run counter to the state order". The fledgling parties accuse the Front of fixing the election date early in order to deprive them of the time they need to organize

They are bitterly critical of the decision of the Front, a body dominated by communists which originally described itself as a caretaker group with no political ambitions, to contest the election itself. Critics also assert that the Securitate has been abolished in name only, and that its members walk abroad unpunished.

Last Friday, the leadership appears to have panicked. When an angry mob descended on its offices, it abruptly outlawed the Communist Party, and then had second thoughts. The question is now to be submitted to a national referendum on January 28 - a referendum

which, in a bow to populist pressures, will also allow the people to decide whether abolition of the death penalty should stand.

Banning parties is not a promising route to democratic freedom. The kindest interpretation of this muddle is probably the true one: both government and people are learning democracy, with nothing but a void to build on after years of living under the Ceausescu thought police. At the same time, the domination of the Front, and in particular the 11-man council which issues decrees in its name, by old-guard communist dissidents has forced it on to the defensive.

That has economic as well as political consequences. The Government admits that the economic situation is disastrous, far worse than the picture given by the falsified statistics of the Ceausescu era. Yet it clines to the idea that a command economy can coexist with some degree of free enterprise - and to the notion that serious economic reforms can wait until after the elections.

The Army, meanwhile, appears increasingly to be holding the ring and, possibly, staking its claim as the only midwife capable of delivering the newborn child of democracy. That outcome should be avoided if possible - if only because military "interim" regimes, the world over, have turned out extraordinarily difficult to dislodge.

Public confidence would be improved if the Front renounced its electoral ambitions and deferred the national poll until the autumn. All parties should be given access to the media.

The Front could then concentrate on its "caretaker role", starting by improving the distribution of the foreign aid pouring into Romania. Democracy cannot be built overnight, but some of the foundations for its success must be laid now.

FLYING THE TRICOLOUR

Air France agreed last week to buy a 54.8 per cent stake in UTA, the largest privately-owned French airline. The transaction creates Europe's largest carrier, and gives the state-owned airline a virtual monopoly of French international and domestic routes. Outstripping both British Airways and Lufthansa, the enlarged company moves into fourth place in the world table.

The opposition parties and sections of the French press are sharply critical - "nationalization that dare not speak its name", said a leader in Le Figaro. The unions are up in arms, and so is the management of the threatened airline, although the writing has been on the wall for some time. UTA's managing director, M René Lapautre, has at last himself fallen Drictim to what he has more than once described as "the French Aeroflot complex".

Mr Karel van Miert, the EC Commissioner who has responsibility for transport, appears to be taking a relaxed view of the proposed takeover, arguing that because Air France and UTA mainly operate different routes, there will be no violation of anti-monopoly rules. Sir Leon Brittan, on the other hand, who holds the competition portfolio in Brussels, has said that it raises fundamental questions under the European Community's competition policy.

Sir Leon has said that he is concerned for the protection of the consumer as air traveller in the single European market. His concern is well founded, because what is happening as 1992 looms is that although governments give every appearance of embracing more consumer-led competition policies, industrial pressures are thrusting civil aviation in precisely the opposite direction.

The next phase in European air transport diberalization is due to be launched later this year. The Air France bid is only the latest in a whole series of pre-emptive moves to defend routes and protect domestic markets. The EC is already examining the recently proposed

joint venture between Sabena, KLM and British Airways which would give the Belgian national airline a much needed injection of capital and the Dutch and British increased access to Brussels airport.

All the airlines know that in the brave new world of the single market the competitive battle in Europe will be waged between a handful of dominant groupings. The Scandinavian airline, SAS, who have been skilfully extending their international links, have a pithy slopan which both sketches a scenario and defines their own ambition — "one of 5 in '95".

The doglight will not be confined to European skies, however. The thought of the US mega-carriers, with their huge domestic market at their back, is never far from the collective mind of the European airline industry. They are also alive to what is soine on around the Pacific Rim, where an increasing number of Asian airlines run highly efficient, low-cost operations. When Singapore Airlines place an order worth \$8.6 billion for 50 aircraft as they did yesterday, it is not for purposes of local tourism.

Removing the barriers to airline competition on this side of the Atlantic was never going to be as quick or as easy as it was 10 years ago in the United States. Our air traffic control system is still at the horse and buggy stage; there is a shortage both of airspace and of airport capacity; the huge route networks which some airlines enjoy as a result of past monopoly positions make the prospects for newcomers look as welcoming as the north face

The European Commission's investigation into the acquisition of UTA will centre on article 86 of the Treaty of Rome, which is concerned with abuses of dominant market position. It should recall the succinct indeement offered last year by one of its own experts: "The US deregulated but forgot to apply anti-trust".

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Baby's abduction Threat to Yanomami land rights from hospital

From Mr Malcolm Lawson-Paul Sir, The very distressing case of a newly-born baby recently abducted from a London teaching hospital (reports, January 12-16) highlights the considerable difficulties faced by hospital management and staff in maintaining adequate security in a period of acute staffing shortage. Current practice dictates that hospital patients, including newly-born infants, are supplied with a plastic wrist tag giving details of name, blood group, etc.

I suggest that it should be possible to incorporate into these tags the type of security system triggering an alarm bleeper, such as is employed inside the front covers of books in the majority of lending libraries.

Such tags, removable only by authorized staff, could be benefi-cially used with babies and young children as well as those patients who might constitute a risk either to themselves or to others if at large. This system might do much to alleviate the natural auxiety of parents and relatives, fully justifying the initial cost. Yours faithfully, MALCOLM LAWSON-PAUL,

111 Saint Pancras, Chichester, West Sussex. January 16.

From the General Secretary of the Health Visitors' Association Sir. The abduction of Dawn Griffiths' baby Alexandra from hospital by a woman describing herself as a health visitor raises some important points in addition to the vital necessity that Alexandra must be returned to her mother immediately.

Health visitors rarely, if ever, remove a baby from its parents for treatment. Our aim is to work with parents, involving them in all aspects of their baby's care. They are, after all, the experts on their own child. All health visitors should carry an ID card issued by their health authority. Parents should ask to see this card if they are at all anxious about their health visitor's identity.

Health visitors have no right of access to people's homes. We are invited guests and I feel certain that no health visitor would ever knowingly abuse that trust. Yours faithfully, CATHERINE BURNS, General Secretary, Health Visitors' Association,

Cause of inflation From Mr A. M. Pay

50 Southwark Street, SE1.

Sir, When I was younger, my economics taught me that there were four elements in the cost of production, viz., labour, capital, to labour, interest to capital, rent to landowners, and profit to the entrepreneur, who organised it all.

No one rebukes the investor for seeking the highest return for his capital, the landowner for charging the most rent, or the en-trepreneur for maximising his

How come, nowadays, it is only increased wages that cause cost-inflation? What happens to higher interest, rents and profits? Do they not also cause inflation? Yours faithfully,

A. M. Pay & Co., Insurance Brokers), 45 Bulwer Road, Leytonstone, E11.

Pinpointing property

From Mr R. N. Hutchins Sir, It was good to see the letters (December 30; January 8) on the wider use of the national grid system. May I make two suggestions. 1. Central and local government: newspaper notices about land-use matters, such as the closure of footpaths, should give the grid reference. This would enable any interested reader to identify the location without going to see the

deposited plans. 2. The tourist boards should use the NG system in their accommodation lists and leaflets. As a walker, cyclist, and motorist I have found that in remote parts the postal address gives little clue to the location.

We are fortunate to have the best maps in the world; let us try to make the best use of them. Yours faithfully, RICHARD HUTCHINS 171 High Street, Clapham, Bedford.

War crimes trials

From Mr I. N. Duncan Wallace, QC Sir, Recent events in Europe demand examination of the virtually undebated political dimension of the proposals to prosecute persons resident in this country for crimes committed against Soviet citizens, in the main of Jewish origin, on foreign soil.

To prosecute a Latvian. Estonian, or Lithuanian for allegedly mistreating Soviet citizens subtly but powerfully legitimises Russia's invasion and annexation of those territories. It also distracts attention from the subsequent displacement and attempted genocide of their peoples and culture. Similar considerations arise in the Ukraine.

How delighted, prior to recent events, the Soviet authorities must have been to find the same spirit which handed over Cossacks and Chetniks in 1945 still alive and well, not only in the Foreign Office but now in the House of Commons; and how unsurprising was the alacrity with which the successors to the Katyn murderers, and the perpetrators of countless (and

Could this decision be linked

From Mr K. A. Ziegler
Sir, Your editorial, "Saving the
Yanomami" (January 13), describes the remarkable betrayal of constitutionally granted rights to the traditional lands of the Brazilian Amazonian Yanomami people by the outgoing Government of President Sarney.

Not only do you do Fernando Collor's incoming Government a service by highlighting the lawless exploitation and destruction of the indigenous people's right to land, on which they have left no trace of environmental pollution over their 10,000 years of ecologically sound custodianship, but you rightly underline the presumption of corruption in the policy reversal announced last week, in favour of permitting unregulated and environmentally destructive gold mining to continue in an area of maximum biological diversity and ethnobiological importance.

The region of Roraima contains the headwaters of three of the world's greatest river systems and aquifiers - the Amazon, the Orinoco and the Essequibo. The well-being of tribal and agricultural people of at least three nations requires these aquifiers to remain clean.

The irony and foul odour of the remarkable policy reversal by the Government is that 80 per cent of Brazil's gold production evades national taxes and through a labyrinth of middlemen and a few tycoons, adds to Brazil's economi-

Hong Kong crisis

Sir, One can only agree with Michael Short (January 4) about

shown at a private cinema as only

That this can be done now must give real grounds for deep concern about Government intentions and the future of freedom in Hong Kong. Yours faithfully, R. CHAMBERS

(Secretary-General, British Section), International Society for

January 4. From Sir Michael Ogden, QC Sir, One advantage resulting from the decision to allow 50,000 Hong Kong families the right to live here, is that there can be no question of our being persuaded at the forthcoming international conference to agree to accept any Vietnamese. Quite apart from anything else, public opinion would be so hostile as to render it

I strongly support Mr Norman Tebbit's objections to immigration on the scale which has happened in the past. However, I consider that Hong Kong is a

Museum charges

From Mrs Annabel Geddes Sir, Dr Alan Borg, Director Gen-eral of the Imperial War Museum (The Arts, January 2) asks what is so special about the visual arts that they should be treated differently from music and the theatre. He misses the point that music and theatre have to be "performed" by living artistes who need to be paid. So the number of performances can be economically assessed.

Dr Borg, however, has no choice. His guns and tanks must be on show virtually every day. So his overheads should, within inflation, be fixed. Are these annual overheads not insured by his employers - i.e., the Government? Do they meet annually to assess the requirements and to argue "for and against", as in any sensible business set-up?

We all know the Government is not "made of money" - but it has a duty to the public, and to the earlier benefactor's of the museum, to deal reasonably with the curators and directors of these collections. Yours faithfully,

ANNABEL GEDDES. 59e Harcourt Terrace, SW10.

naprosecuted), savageries against their own as well as their subject peoples, cooperated with our diplomats and lawyers when they

went to Moscow last summer.

The effect which publicity of

these trials will create in the Soviet satellite territories, whose aspirations Russia is now commendably if belatedly endeavouring to accommodate or placate, is bound to be inflammatory. However unreasonably, the trials will be seen as Russian-inspired prosecutions of members of their subject peoples for long-past crimes against their Russian overlords. Even the Jewish minorities presently in the Ukraine may well find unwelcome the effect in the communities where they live of

This seems a rare case where politics as well as principle point to the same conclusion. There is fortunately time to think again.

the re-opening of these old

wounds.

Yours frithfully, I. N. DUNCAN WALLACE, 1 Atkin Building, Gray's lan, WCI.

Higher targets for school staff cally corrosive exodus of flight capital.

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with the unusual support by Cacex, Brazil's official exportimport bank, to the construction of a road through Guyana, in support of the private gold-mining concession at Tassawini, Roraima, granted to Brazil's private Parapanema Construction Company?

Or, might the state governor of Roraima, Romero Juca, facing a re-election campaign this year, feel more comfortable with the numerous gold diggers than the dwindling number of more elusive Indians? Juca's previous job as controversial head of the Government's Indian Foundation had not made him popular with the Indians.

President Samey's Government has often claimed that the Amazonian rainforests suffer because of the poverty of Brazil's people and the need to repay the nation's foreign debt. Unbridled greed, by a few unscrupulous people, is the greatest culprit.

Why should tax payers of northern countries be asked to help bail out Brazil's foreign debt, if its own Government allows tax evasion, massive capital flight, environmental devastation and genocide to continue in Amazonia? Yours etc., K. A. ZIEGLER,

special case, in that we owe a special duty to it. Furthermore, those who do come here will be

respectable, hard-working people

who will not be a burden on the

State but will generate wealth;

plainly, it is not possible to be confident that the same could be

said about all the Vietnamese

The Hong Kong people will be assimilated without trouble, since

the "at worst" figure of 50,000

families is not a large number.

Indeed, I could wish the figure

greater, since, even allowing for

those who have already acquired

rights of abode outside Hong

Kong, I fear that 50,000 may not

be enough to achieve the Govern-

As for the Victnamese, the

international community must

accept that they can neither stay in

From Mr Gerald Kaufman, MP for

Hong Kong nor come here. Yours faithfully, MICHAEL OGDEN,

2 Crown Office Row,

Temple, EC4.

6 Bradbrook House, Studio Place, Kinnerton Street, SW1. January 16.

boat-people.

ment's objective.

From Mr Robert Chambers

what must be done to attempt to entrench democracy and freedom in Hong Kong before the com-munist takeover in 1997. There are also actions that must not be

We have learnt today that a Hong Kong censorship board has upheld the banning on political grounds of a Taiwanese-made documentary programme about the democracy movement in China. This was to have been part of a more general programme.

Human Rights, 27 Old Gloucester Street, WC1.

Gorton (Labour) Sir, Since Mr Matthew Parris (Political sketch, January 11) continues to regard as hilarious the proposal I have aised for a holding centre for Vietnamese migrants in the Philippines, you may be interested to know that I have received confirmation from the Philippine Department of Foreign Affairs that the Philippine Government has agreed to a "Regional Resettlement Centre for Indo-Chinese refugees in the Philippines". impossible for the Government to Yours sincerely, GERALD KAUFMAN

Disaster relief

House of Commons.

January 12.

(Shadow Foreign Secretary),

From Mr Hugh Hanning Sir, Mr Mellor's vivid report on Romania (letter, January 9) confirms, like every other disaster operation, that when it comes to providing fast relief they order these things better in France.

This was embarrassingly evident over Armenia, where the world saw the arrival two days after the earthquake of nearly 200 experts from the Securité Civile. This is a government organisation run by the Minister for Humanitarian Action, M Kouchner, with direct access to the President and Prime Minister. To underline the commitment, M Kouchner was a former director of Medecins sans

As he reported to the French Cabinet last week, M Kouchner reached Romania before Christmas; and though that crisis was unsuitable for his organisation, unlike natural disasters, he was able to act as coordinator, since he knows personally so many of the Médecins people.

We in Britain have nothing at all. While the voluntary agencies are as good as ever, government policy has actually slipped back-wards in the 20 years since Mr Richard Wood, the Conservative minister, visited Bangladesh in person within a week of the cyclone, after Messrs Heath and Home had ordered in a major rescue operation.

Let us hope we do better in the 1990s. Yours etc., HUGH HANNING (Chairman,

Fontmell Group on Disaster Relief), 18 Montpelier Row, Blackheath, SE3. January 10.

Faithful friends

From Mrs Elizabeth Ditton Sir, Every year I cook a large Christmas pudding in the basin used by my mother when teaching her domestic science class well before the 1914 war. At other times it becomes a

block for moulding and drying my husband's washed gardening hat! Yours faithfully, ELIZABETH DITTON. High Meadows,

Playford,

loswich.

Suffolk.

January 12.

In September, 1989, this primary school had a staffing estab-lishment of head, deputy and five full-time, main-scale teachers. Two incentive allowances, each of

Sir, Your balanced and reasoned

leading article of January 4 ("The

status of teachers") is welcome.

However, your support, in conclu-

sion, for the concept of differential payments we believe to be mis-

From Mr J. Hoben

a different value, were available. Prior to this scheme all respon-sibility, from curriculum leadership to pastoral care, had been shared equally, according to qualification and experience, between all seven staff, each taking care to note new legislation and shifts in emphasis.

We considered this to be a natural part of our professional commitment towards a highly successful and popular school.

I now have two staff, sensitive to my dilemma over the divisiveness of the scheme, who are puzzled as to why they should receive different above-scale rates for doing what they gladly did before as a natural part of their professional contribution. The remaining three are also sympathetic but puzzled by their lack of an "incentive" for their equal and vital portion. The cohesion so carefully built up over the past 10 years is already slipping away.

The idea that those lured from industry will, by virtue of their qualifications, be effective classroom teachers is highly suspect. Equally unlikely is the prospect of wealthy commercial interests allowing their carefully nurtured talent to be seduced for the want of a mere palm of silver.

Until we recognise and reward every effective teacher for the good of the whole school and the whole child, the brightest and best will follow the maxim: "Mine the higher aim, the longer reach - to teach men how to teach men how to teach".

If the principle of differential payments in areas of local or national shortage is sound rather than expedient, why are we not paying black policemen more than white ones? Yours faithfully,

J. HOBEN (Headmaster), St Mary's V. C. School, Higher Trehaverne, Truro, Cornwall.

Florence revealed

From Mr Adrian Room Sir, The Reverend S. J. Davies asks (January 11) whether the name Florence was ever given in the United Kingdom before Miss Nightingale's fame in the Crimea.

It certainly was, although not on the same popular scale. E. G. Withycombe's Oxford Dictionary of English Christian Names notes a Florence Vayzor of 1621, and after all Dickens used the name for that of the Dombeys' daughter in Dombey and Son, published in 1848, five years before the start of the Crimean War.

The novelist Elizabeth Gaskell named her third daughter, born 1842, Florence, and in 1852 wrote to Florence Nightingale from Manchester: "Babies ad libitum are being christened Florence here; poor little factory babies whose grimed, stunted parents brighten up at the name". Yours faithfully,

ADRIAN ROOM. 173 The Causeway. Petersfield, Hampshire. From Mr A. Th. Arber-Cooke

Sir, Florentius and Florentia are masculine and feminine forms of a Roman name, apparently more often given to boys than to girls. The Book of Saints, published by the Ramsgate Benedictines (sixth edition), notes only one St Florentia but no less than 16 saints named Florentius, one of them Irish but none British.

However, a British Florentius pave his name to the parish of St Florence in Pembrokeshire. Florence of Worcester, who died in 1118, was the compiler of a chronicle. Florent occurs as a masculine name in Chaucer and Gower and Florence as a feminine name is found in 16th and 17th century Visitations of English

Perhaps the best remembered bearer of the masculine form in recent times was Mr Florenz Ziegfeld. Yours faithfully A. TH. ARBER-COOKE.

Ty Cerrig, Stone Street, Llandovery, Dyfed. From Mr David Squire

Sir, About a year ago, when seeing: a bust of the famous Englishwoman, my youngest daughter commented, "Oh look. There's Fluorescent Nightingale." Very appropriate for the lady with the amp!

Yours faithfully. DAVID SQUIRE, 2 St Stephen's Avenue, Ealing, W13. From Mr J. P. S. Allison

Sir, Your correspondent asks. whether the name Florence was ever given in the United Kingdom prior to Florence Nightingale's' return from the Crimea". Well, yes, presumably, by a Mrs Nightingale to her infant daughter, some 30 or so years previously. Yours faithfully, J. P. S. ALLISÓN. 4 Raeburn Street

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SANDRINGHAM January 16: The Lady Susan Hussey has succeeded Lady Abel Smith as Lady in Waiting

to The Oueen. **BUCKINGHAM PALACE** January 16: The Duchess of York, President of Action Re-search for the Crippled Child, this morning received the Director General (Colonel Andrew

Brearley-Smith) and the Direc-tor General Designate (Mrs Anne Luther) at Buckingham

This evening The Princess Royal attended a dinner given by the Thirty Club of London at Claridge's, Brook Street, London WI. The Countess of Lichfield was

CLARENCE HOUSE January 16: Mrs Patrick Camp-bell-Preston has succeeded

Birthdays today

Mr Muhammad Ali, bozer, 48; Sir Michael Clapham, former chairman, IMI, 78; Mr Justice Mervyn Davies, 72; Sir Edward Mervyn Davies, 72; Sir Edward Fennessy, radar pioneer, 78; Mrs Monica Furlong, writer, 60; Lord Joseph, CH, 72; Mr Anthony Kenney, obstetrician and gynaecologist, 48; Mr Tony Mullins, jockey, 28; Sir Geoffrey Pattie, MP, 54; Professor W.B. Robertson, histo-pathologist, 67; Mr Vidal Sassoon, hair stylist, 62; Misa Moira Shearer, hallerina, 64; Professor Sir ballerina, 64; Professor Si David Smithers, radiologist, 82 Mr Clyde Walcott, cricketer, 64 Miss Gilliam Weir, organist, 49 Mr Paul Young, singer, 34.

Eric Boulter and Edward Venn

A memorial service for Eric Boulter and Edward Venn (RNTB) will be held at All Souls, Langham Place, London, Wi on January 24, 1990, at 2 pm.

Dean Close School

The Spring Term begins today Joanne Awre is Head of School Andrew Pike is her deputy and Gordon Ellard is Captain of Hockey. Music Scholarship auditions will be held on March I, and the Old Decanian Games Day is on March 2. Confirma tion conducted by the Right Revd the Lord Bishop of Gloucester will be on March 11, and term ends on March 21.

St Paul's Cathedral Choir School

Spring Term begins today. The Choir sings at Bath Abbey on Thursday, January 18. Alexei Haigh will be admitted to the Choir on Sunday, January 21. A Voice Trial will be held on Saturday, February 3. An Or-chestra Day with Westminster Cathedral Choir School and Westminster Abbey Choir February 14. Day Boy Entrance Tests will be on Saturday, February 17. The Confirmation Service will be on Saturday, April 7. The St John Passion is on Tuesday, April 10, and term will end on Sunday, April 15. The Choir, with the English Brass Ensemble, will be on tour in Spain, April 20-28.

Polytechnic news

Seath Bank Professor George Overend has been awarded an honorary fellowship by the polytechnic

Ruth, Lady Fermoy as Lady-in-Waiting to Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother.

KENSINGTON PALACE January 16: The Princess of Wales, Patron, Help the Aged, visited the Senior Leisure Care Centre, Universities Settlement

in East London, Toynbee Hall, 28 Commercial Street, El. Subsequently, Her Royal Highness visited the OUTSET employment scheme for dis-abled people at the Globe Town Neighbourhood Centre, 62 Roman Road, E2.

Miss Alexandra Lovd and Lieutenant Commander Patrick Jephson, RN, were in

KENSINGTON PALACE
January 16: The Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon this evening attended a Private View of the Frans Hals Exhibition at the Royal Academy of Arts in aid of CRUSAID and the Mrs Jane Stevens was in

Today's royal engagements

The Princess of Wales will visit the Chinese Arts Centre, 36 Charlotte Street, Manchester, at 11-20; will open the Nightingale Centre for Breast Screening at Withington Hospital, West Didsbury, Manchester, at 12.15; and, as Patron of Relate National Marriage Guidance, will visit Manchester Relate, 346 Chester Road, Corabrook, at

1.45. The Princess Royal, as Patron of the Unitish Nutrition Founda-tion, will visit the foundation's offices at 15 Belgrave Square at 11.00; as Chancellor of London University, will attend the presentation ceremony at the Albert Hall at 2.00; and, as a Lady Liveryman of the Woolmen's Company, will at-tend the Alms Court dines 21 Tallow Chandlers' Hall at 7.20.

Memorial service

Mr W. Alexander Lew A memorial service for Mr W. Alexander Law was held yes-terday at St Dunstan's, Stepney, The Rev W.A. Cairus officialed. Miss Kirsty Law, grand-daughter, and Mr Brian Roper read the lessons and Dr Bruce Thompson gave an address.

Receptions

HM Government Mr Malcolm Rifkind, QC, Sec-retary of State for Scotland, was host at a reception given by Her Majesty's Government last night at Dover House, White-hall, for parliamentary lobby and gallery correspondents.

St John Ambalance
Lord Vestey, Lady Sternberg
and Mrs Harold Phillips presented the Sternberg Foundation Awards to representatives
of St John Ambalance from
Merseyside, Cumbria and Humberside at a reception held yesterday at the Headquarters of the Order of St John in Clerkenweil.

Dinner

Royal Sectory of Medicine Sir Christopher Booth, President of the Royal Society of Medicine, presided at a dinner held last night at I Wimpole Street. The Countess of Lim-Red Cross Society, was the guest speaker. Among others present were:

The Earl of Limerick. Lord and Lady Perritt. Lord and Lady Romerica. Lord and Lady Gettin. Dune Anne Bryans, Str Alam and Lady Reay. Str Cornino and Lady Rolason. Str James Watt. Str David Exces Wilsons and Str Cornino and Lady Wolspensime.

"In my heart I knew this was the final blow."

When the notes will not come as easily as they used to, it isn't just the music that suffers. After a life-time of giving pleasure to others, the musician can find his or her career and livelihood ending on a sour note. So often with only a small pension to fall back on, he or she faces real poverty.

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16 OGLE STREET, LONDON WIP 7LG.

Forthcoming marriages

Viscount Dangus and Miss C.L. Brightse The engagement is announced between Graham (G.G. Wellesley Jr), eldest son and heir of The Rt Hon 7th Earl Cowley and the Lady Cowley, of London, SW7, and Claire, only daughter of Mr and Mrs P.W. Brighton, of Stow Bridge, Norfolk.

Mr C.J. Barcley and Miss E. Raybould

The engagement is announced between Christopher, only son of Dr PJ. Barclay and Mrs L. Barclay, of Essex, and Elizabeth, younger danghter of Mr J.G. Raybould and Mrs A.M. Raybould, of Orston.

Mr J.J. Brown and Miles J.E. Copin

The engagement is announced between Julian, elder son of Mr and Mrs R.A. Brown, of Hopton, Diss, Norfolk, and Jane, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs B.H. Capon, of Market Weston, Diss, Norfolk.

Mr N.P. Byford and Miss L.K. Norman

The engagement is announced between Neville Paul, son of Mr and Mrs D.C. Byford, of Virginia Water, Surrey, and Lynda Kay, youngest daughter of the late Mr R.D. Norman and of Mrs D. Norman, of Virginia Water, Surrey.

and Miss P.A. Bernste-James

The engagement is announced between Julian, elder son of Mr and Mrs Ronald Carr, of

Newton Ferrers, Devon, and Philippa, elder daughter of Mr Michael Revnette-James, Yorkshire, and Mrs Diana Reynette-James, Shropshire.

Mr B.J. Etherington and Mim E.M. Berthert The engagement is announced between John, only son of Mr and Mrs Bernard Etherington, of Stokenchurch, Bucks, and Kim, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs Brian Burkhart, of Hamilton, New Zealand.

Mr H.K. Hamilton and Mins O.M. Martin

The engagement is announced between Hubert Kildare, elder between Hubert Kildare, elder son of Captain and Mrs H.C.P. Hamilton, Moyne, Durrow, Co Leix, and Olivia Maria, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs C.P.J. Martin, Greenmount, Clousilla, Co Dublin.

The engagement is announced between Simon Martin, younger son of Mr Paul Cowcher, of Tunstead, Norfolk, and Mrs Nancy Cowcher, of Shepperton, Surrey, and Caroline Emma, younger daughter of Mr Anthony Stephen Brown, of West Chiltington, Sussex, and Mrs Michael Ryan, of Battersea,

Mr T.S.L. Hollingsworth and Miles L.C. de Borman The engagement is announced

between Tom, son of Canon G.F.L. Hollingsworth and the late Mrs P.C.E. Hollingsworth, of Woodbridge, Suffolk, and Louise, daughter of Mr and Mrs D.A.E. de Borman, of Newsham, Kent

Mr T.S.H. Hook and Mass S. Dridgene

The engagement is and between Timothy, younger son of Squadron Leader and Mrs R.S.H. Hook, of Instow, Devon, and Saily, only daughter of Mr A. Bridgman, of Youlston Park, and Mrs F.B. Bridgman, of Samuon Court, Devon.

Mr G.L. James and Miss C.L. Norman The engagement is announced between Gavin, son of Squadron Leader and Mrs Lyn James, of Chippenham, Wilshire, and Caroline, daughter of Rear Admiral and Mrs Anthony Norman, of Upper Swanmore,

The engagement is announced between Nicholas, elder son of Mrs Carol Martin, of Muswell mis Caros neartin, of Muswell Hill, London, and Mr John Martin, of Holland Park, London, and Caroline, youngest daughter of the late Mr and Mrs R.J. Smith, of Margaretting, Essex, and Brixham, Devon.

Mr E.S. Oppé nad Miss S.A. Travers

The engagement is announced between Edward, youngest son of Mr and Mrs Frederick Oppé, of London, SWS, and Sophia, younger daughter of Mr Guy Travers, of Richmond, and Mrs

De Heer M.C.C. Kersten and Miss N.E. Pampigitione The engagement is announced between Michiel, son of De Heer and Mevrouw G.A. Kersten, of Cotignac, France, and Nadia, daughter of Dr and Mrs G. Pampiglione, of

Mr A.C.R.H. Nightingale and Miss P.H.H. Ward The engagement is announced between Christopher, elder son of Mr and Mrs Benedict Nightingale, of London, and Peta, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs Jeremy Ward, of London.

Mr G.J. Pender and Miss J.E. Hestop

The engagement is announced between Gregory John, elder son of Mr and Mrs Robin Pender, of Cullercoats, Tyne and Wear, and Jane Evelyn eldest daughter of Mrs Penley Heslop and the late George Heslop, of Newcastle

and Mins M.S. Deale The engagement is announced between Timothy, son of Mr and Mrs G.E.A. Perutz, of

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Kenilworth, Illinois, and Susanna, daughter of Mr and Mrs A. Dunk, of San Diego,

and Miss E. Bloom

The engagement is announced between William James, younper son of Mr and Mrs lack Ruddock, of Boothby Graffoe, Lincoln, and Eleanor, twin daughter of Mrs Celia Bloom, of Wilmslow Road, Manchester.

Mr R.N. Thempsen Jr and Miss S.A.T. Frederick The engagement is announced between Ralph, son of Mr and Mrs Raiph Thompson, of New Bedford, Massachusetts, USA and Sarah, younger daughter of the Reverend Dr John and Mrs Frederick, of Blechingley,

Mr T.S. Woodward

The engagement is announced between Stewart Trevor, son of of Ledsham, Cheshire, and Gillian Sarah, daughter of the late Mr James Bundred and of Mrs Georgina Bundred, South Bents, Sunderland,

SCIENCE REPORT

Spotted star may be like the Sun in its youth

A bizarre young star in Taurus may reveal what our Sun was like in its youth: covered in dark spledges. This star, known as V410 Tan, has about the same size and man of the Sem, and its age (about one million years) has been deduced from its size and bright-

But careful study of the way its brightness changes reveals that it has two ensembles durk spets on its surface, it could be that our own San, now about 5,000 million years old, had become the sunspots of today. This is suggested, albeit

This is suggested, albeit tentatively, by W. Herbst, of the Van Vleck Observatory in Middletown, Connecticut, in The Astronomical Journal (vol. 98, pp 2268-2274).

V410 Tan is about 520 light years from the Earth, and belongs to a group of "vari-able" stars called T-Tauri stars, whose brightnesses fluctrate erratically. The variation of V410 Tan, though, is weaker and more regular than that of T-Tauri stars in general. It turns out that the variation is caused by our changing view of the star-spots as the star retates on its axis once every 45 hours or so.

Herbst is concerned with V410 Tau because measurements of its variation will be of value to astronomers in-terested in variable stars of all kinds. This kind of informa-

Newcastie Dr L. Donaldson, honorary

lecturer, has been appointed to an honorary professorship in the field of applied

epidemiology from last October.

Dr Nicholas Bateman, senior

lecturer, promoted to a per-sonal readership in thera-

Dr David Toms, lecturer,

promoted to a personal readership in mathematical

Dr John McCabe, senior lec-

turer, has been promoted to a

personal readership in dental

materials science from August

Loughberough
The university attracted re-

search funds of nearly £5 mil-

lion during the six-month period ending 31 July 1989.

I RESE INCIUGED:
Professor D S Campbell, \$423,000
from Ministry of Defence (Laiture studies on components/applications).
Mr A Hodgson and Professor R H Westen, £298,300 from Science and Engineering Research Council Lapolication and Information Sussering Systems for planning control in Con-

Mr Justice Leggatt to be a Lord Justice of Appeal from January

Miss Monique Sylvaine Viner, QC, to be a circuit judge, assigned to the South Eastern Circuit.

Other appointments include:

Mr Humphrey Lyttleton to be President of the Society for Italic

Handwriting, in succession to the late Dowager Marchioness of Cholmondeley.

Appointments

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University news

knowledge of many things brightness and colour change natrunomical - from how stars with age. Stars such as the Sun evolve to the distances to other galaxies - owes much to the patient study of variable stars.

easy target for the casual stargazer: it is always too faint to see with the naked eye but might be glimpsod in a three-inch refracting telescope. Herbst and his colleagues, including a band of dedicated endergraduates, used a 24-inch telescope fitted with sophisticated spectroscopic equipment, allowing accurate measurements of the star's changing brightness.

Herbst suggests that estruments should look for spots on other stars before they can judge whether V410 Tau is unique, or typical of any young star, such as our Sun not long after its formation.

The link with the Sun comes with the relationship of the star's brightness to its colour. in the early 1980s, Emar Hertzsprung, the Danish astronomer, found that the colours and brightnesses of stars were related and could be shown in a graph. Henry N. Russell, an American, had the same insight in 1913: this graph is known as the Hertzsprung-Russell (or H-R) diagram, in honour of both

Among other things, the H-R diagram can be used to plot the life story of a star as its

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Caring computer

Mr Nicholas Scott, Minister for Social Security, yesterday launched Caresearch, a nation-

wide computer service to help families and social workers find

appropriate residential care for people with mental handicaps. The scheme has been organized

by the charity. United

The Minister said that tech-

nology had greatly improved the lives of many disabled people and the prospects for the future were unlimited.

follow a distinctive track across the diagram, and V410 Tax is in about the same place V410 Tau is not, though, an on the diagram that the Sm occupied in its youth. Hence the connection.

Hertzsprung went on to work on another class of star called Cepheid variables. The archetype of the group is Delta Cephei, recognized as a variable as long ago as 1784. Since then, around 700 have been found in our Galaxy alone: even the familiar Pole Star is a Cepheid variable. They were also found in other galaxies, although astronomers at the time thought that these galaxies were simply clouds or nebalae within our own Galaxy, which was thought to be nione in the Universe.

By 1912, Henrietta Leavitt, of Harvard, showed that the pulse of each Cepheid variable was related to its apparent brightness. Hertzsprung used this property to estimate the distances of Cepbeids in various mebulae, thus paving the way for the realization that some of these nebulae were distant enough to constitute galaxies distinct from our own. This story shows how variable stars have been used to

shape our view of the Uni-

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Anniversaries

BIRTHS: Leonnard Fuchs physician and botanist, Wembdingen, Germany, 1501; Pedro Calderón de la Barca, dramatist and poet, Madrid, 1600; Benjamin Franklin, rolessor D J Williams and Dr P M argent. £233,868 from ERC National Provided Lab/884 modelling of the soldering process for argent transport of the soldering process for argent transport of the soldering process for statesman, scientist and printer, Boston, Massachusetts, 1706; George Lyttleton, 1st Baron Lyttleton, statesman, historian and poet. Hagley, Worcestershire, 1709; Virtorio Alfieri, poet, Piedmont, Italy, 1749; Sir James Hall, geologist, Dunglass, Lothiam, 1761; Charles Kean, actor Westerford Co Westerford Dr. J. W. Patrick, £185,000 from EDC GRITTE - development of heterology to produce 20 and 30 carbon retailorted graphite structures for high arrength and high temperature applications. actor, Waterford, Co Waterford, 1811; August Weismann geneti-cist. Frankfurt am Main, 1834; processors of the control of the con David Lloyd George, 1st Earl Lloyd of Dwyfor, prime min-ister 1916-22; Manchester, 1863; Sir Compton Mackenzic, novelist, West Hartlepool, 1883; Ronald Firbank, novelist, London 1886. Dr G M Hell. 2156,000 from EEC cross flow succodification as an employment for industrial London, 1886.

> DEATHS: John Ray, naturalis DEAT HS: John Kay, trattiratist, Black-Notley, Essex, 1705; Rutherford B. Hayes, 19th president of the USA 1877-81, Fremont, Ohio, 1893; Frederick William Myers, poet and cofounder of the Society of Psychical Research, Rome, 1901; Sir Francis Galton, explorer and anthropologist. Haslemere anthropologist, Haslemere, Surrey, 1911; T. H. White, novelist, Piracus, Greece, 1964.

Latest wills

Mr Laurence Moore, of Roundhay, West Yorkshire, the first member of the Imperial amel Corps to encounter T. E Lawrence, left estate valued at £487,542 net. He left his badges, photographs, books and papers to the Army Museum's Ogilby

Mr Percy Roy Rupert Stocks, of Bowdon, Greater Manchester. left estate valued at £1,352,559 Miss Valerie Zillah Walmisley

of Hastemere, Surrey, left estate valued at £971,026 net.

OBITUARIES

DAME PEGGY van PRAAGH

Driving force in Australian ballet

Dame Peggy van Praagh, DBE, founder and first director of the Australian Ballet, died in Melbourne on January 15, after a long illness. She was It is for giving Australia a

national company of inter-national standing that she will chiefly be remembered, although her career before leaving England had already ensured her a place in ballet history.

She was born in London on September 1, 1910. Her enthusiasm for dance started at three from seeing a Christmas pantomime, and while still a child she acquired exceptional technical skills (she could perform 100 fouettés on point). But opportunities for English dancers then were few, so she began teaching and by her middle twenties was to become a leading exponent of the Cecchetti style.

Her stage debut was at 19 in a small company formed by Anton Dolin to dance three times a day in variety at the London Coliseum. From 1933 she came to prominence in Marie Rambert's company at the Ballet Club, chiefly in the creations of Antony Tudor, for whom she danced in the premieres of Jardin aux Lilas (as the discarded mistress), Dark Elegies and Gala Performance (the Russian ballerina) among others.

In 1938 she moved to Tudor's new company, the London Ballet, Tudor's absence in America during 1939-40 brought van Praagh's first experience of directing. She ran the company jointly with burgh International Ballet for Maude Lloyd and introduced the 1958 Edinburgh Festival



the revolutionary idea of lunchtime performances during the Blitz. Ninette de Valois then invited her to join the Sadlers Wells Ballet, chiefly as a teacher, but wartime necessity soon brought her leading roles in Coppelia and Les

Patineurs. When de Valois formed a second company, Sadlers Wells Theatre Ballet, in 1946, van Praagh, as ballet mistress and later assistant director, was largely responsible for developing Cranko and Mac-Millan as choreographers besides many dancers such as Svetlana Beriosova, Elaine Fifield and David Blair.

In 1955 she left for a freelance career as a producer of modern and classical ballets, a television director and guest teacher. She directed the enterprising but ill-fated Edinand was asked to take temporary charge of the Borovansky Ballet in Australia when Edouard Borovansky

died. On the company's closing night she made a speech advocating government support for forming a national company. Somewhat to hersurprise, this was agreed on condition that she would return to take charge of it. Within three years of its first rehearsals, the company was able to play Covent Garden for the Commonwealth Arts Festival of 1965 and to appear in the Paris International Dance Festival with Fonteyn and Nureyev as guests.

Van Praagh directed the company from 1962 until 1974, with Sir Robert Helpmann as associate director part of that time. Her policies firmly established a widely based repertoire combining modern works (many by Australian choreographers) with excellent productions of the classics, and her continuing flair for developing dancers brought many strong talents to prominence.

She wrote an informative book for children, How I Became a Dancer, and a scholarly study, jointly with Peter Brinson, of The Art of Choreography.

She was appointed OBE in 1966 and advanced to DBE in 1970. Among her numerous other honours was the Queen Elizabeth II Coronation Award of the Royal Academy of Dancing in 1965. She was

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JULIET BERTO

Screen symbol of the spirit of soixante-huit

Juliet Berto, the French actress who played leading roles in Jean-Luc Godard's films La Chinoise and Weekend, died in Paris on January 10. She was 42 and had been suffering from cancer. With her slender figure and

gamine good looks (not to mention impeccable working class credentials) she symbolized the free-spirited fer-vour of the 1968 student revolutionaries, and had the mental equipment and acting talent to bring it to life in the Godard vehicles in which she appeared.

She later gave a fine performance in Jacques Rivette's Celine and Julie Go Boating and starred in Joseph Losey's 1976 film Mr Klein, with Alain Delon.

But she then turned her Dack on acting to become a director. This career was tragically cut short by her early death; in consequence she remains in the mind as one of the headier and more picturesque images of the 'èvenements" which shook Paris, Europe and the wider world in 1968.

Juliet Berto was born in Grenoble on January 16, 1947, the daughter of a factory worker, and true to her working class background developed a strong commitment to

the political left. This led her to reject the trappings of the commercial cinema - though her seduc-tive looks could have earned her a lucrative future there and gave her a natural sympathy with Godard's Marxistinspired avant-garde.

After a small part in his Two or Three Things I Know About Her she appeared opposite Jean-Pierre Leaud and Godard's second wife, Anne Wiazemski, in La Chinoise, the study of the creation of a



Maoist student cell which anticipated the events of May,

nightmarish traffic jam as the framework for an apocalyptic vision of a society disintegrating amid violence and cannibalism, Berto and Wiazemski played urban

guerrillas.

Lumumba, with Leaud as

In Weekend, which used a

Her third leading role for Godard was in his experimental television film, Le Gai Savoir. In a two-hander which sought to recreate cinema "from zero", she played a character named after the Katangan leader, Patrice Emile Zola.

Celine and Julie Go Boating (1974), a semi-improvized piece which abolished conventional narrative, probably saw Berto at her acting peak. But she did much other work of interest during the 1970s, including Rivette's Duelle and two films for Alain Tanner, Retour d'Afrique and Le Mi-lieu du Monde.

Her first film as director was Neige, made in 1981, a drama documentary about drug trafficking in the notorious Pigalle district of Paris.

LADY EVE BALFOUR

Creating the concept of organic farming

Lady Eve Balfour, OBE, the a classic. This promotes a This led to her appointment as farmer who formed the Soil Association and virtually created the concept of organic agriculture, has died at the age Lady Evelyn Barbara Bal-

four was born on July 16, 1898, into a family which included a Prime Minister in the Marquess of Salisbury. Her uncle, A. J. Balfour was also a Prime Minister, her maternal grandfather was the 1st Earl of Lytton and Viceroy of India, and her father, Gerald Balfour, was Chief Secretary for Ireland.

Lady Eve studied agri-culture at the University of Reading. Her first practical experience was gained organizing Land Army girls on a farm in the Great War, a job she got only because she revised her age upwards by several years. In 1919, she bought her first farm, in Stowmarket, Suffolk, where she also cut her campaigning teeth, by successfully fighting against the unpopular tithe tax

It was also during this period that she formulated her beliefs about good husbandry and became increasingly critical of the then prevalent intensification of farming. Hew views were outlined in the book The Living Soil, now

during the 1930s.

thinking the essential links between soil-plant-animal and man, and the need to treat the soil as a living ecosystem to maintain a sustainable agriculture. Although she was con-vinced of the benefits of what

became known as organic farming, she felt there was still a gap in knowledge of what happened to the soil. Accordingly, with her friend Alice Debenham, she started the Haughley Experiment, a whole farm dedicated to organic farming research, which lasted for 35 years. The Soil Association was formed in 1946, in response to the enormous interest in book, and to support the Haughley Experiment

She had not expected to live to see the results. Last year, she said "I knew that these things are cumulative. You've got to go through several generations of plants and animals. But we got some very significant results in 10 or 12 years". Indeed, after many years of being regarded as a crank-others sawher as ahead of her time - she was gratified to see the recent growth in interest in organic agriculture.

message which has now become an accepted part of "modern" environmental government funding for orgovernment funding for organic agriculture, ironically announced the day after she

Lady Eve Balfour was dedicated to her cause, but never to the exclusion of other interests. She was a qualified pilot, and an experienced sailor, crewing for her brother's annual voyages to Scandinavia. She successfully co-authored three detective novels and used to play a saxophone in a dance band. She "retired" in 1984, at the age of 85, but continued to cultivate a large organic garden until a stroke incapacilated her three months ago.

A lifetime's dedication to vegetarianism and wholefood did not preclude the occasional indulgence. Just before she died, one of her old friends told of the time Lady Eve was asked to address an earnest group of people about healthy nutrition. Someone asked her about her own diet. "Oh, don't model yourself on me", she replied. "I drink gin and tonic and smoke concerns. and smoke cigarettes. As long / the time, the remaining 25 per cent will look after itself".

She was unmarried.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS & PERSONAL

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BIRTHS

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DEATHS

ASHIFIELD - On January 15th, peacefully, Archibade Richard William, at his home December 15th, aged 83 years. Devoted father of Rebecta. Thomas: Envaror Sciannian and Kendrick decessed). Dear brother of Elizabeth Ashifield, Funeral Service, Chideston Church, Monday January 22nd at 2 pm., Flowers to Harvey Bros., Rest Chapels, Kirty Care, Burgary, Sulfolk, places.

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Road, Catterion. Coopt. CMB
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BETT On January 14th, peacefully after a short lines. Electors, widow of Registald Brett, of Hinton St. George. Cremation private, service of thanksgiving at The Parish Church Packagion, Friday January 19th at 2.30. No flowers.

GARR - On Jenuary 18th, searchuly in Sidmouth Husting Alic States, and 30, formerty of States. Dearly loved husband of Loris. Eather of Penelope and Christopher and much loved grandfather. Funeral Service at Exeler Crenatorium on Friday January 19th 27 2.45 pm. Family flowers only. Donations if desired to Hospiscare. The Health Cestry, Edinsont, Devon.

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Most of the schools that had been

moved on the outbreak of war stayed,

for the time being, where they were: the City of London, for example, at Marlborough College, and Mill Hill at St Bees in Cumberland.

DULWICH

COLLEGE HOME

Dulwich College has returned to town, after an interesting spell in the

country. Yesterday, at the start of a new term, masters and boys resumed activity in their own red-brick build-

ing in the SE21 postal district of

London. But there is so little of

suburban London hereabouts, and

the estates governors of the founda-

tion have done so well in maintaining

And so to return after a sojourn of

AGAIN

CROSSLEY - On January 15th 1990. suddenly at home at Westfield Farm, Norton, North Yorkshire, Xandra. beloved wife of Nick, loving mother of Amanda, Lucy and John and grandmother of Lily. Shaunagh and Rose

of Lify. Shaumagh and Rose and only beloved daughter of Mary Weich. Family funeral. 12 noon Friday January 19th al Somerieyton Service of Thanksgiving al Si Mary's Priory. Old Mation. at 12 noon on Thursday February 1st. Family flowers only Octosions if so desired to Asthma Research Council. 300 Upper Street. London. NJ. also plate provided in Industry.

CUMMINGS • On Sunday January 14th. Kenneth ARTBA.

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GALE - On Saturday January
13th. Alan Gale, peacefully.
Dearly loved husband of
Wendy, father of Stephen.
Suzanne. Adam and Natalie.
Fondly remembered with a
smille. Funeral Service will
be held at 11.30 am on
Wednesday January 17th at
Braywick Lawn Cemetery.
Maidenhead. Beris. Prayers
will be held at 7.30 pm on
Thursday January 18th
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NARMESS - On January
12th, Kenneth Lanyon
Haritness, Captain CB E.
D.S.C., Royal Navy,
peacefully at home in his
90th year Beloved husband
of Mary and formerty of
Joan deceased Dear Laner
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Thankspiving Service at St
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Rogate, at 12 noon on Tues
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to Royal British Legion
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HECOME - On January Isin,
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Truits House. Dorking. Bott - On January 15th 1990, peacefully at Praesmour Residential Home. Aboyne. Sir Friston Charles C.B., husband of the late Lady Ann Stewart How. Functal Service at Aberdeen Crematorium, Hazelhead. East Chapel, on Thursday January 18th at 3 30 pm. All friends respectfully invited.

ON THIS DAY

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peacefully at his home.
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Funeral Service at All Saints.
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in her 90th year, formerty of
Underfell, Westbourne Road.
Lancaster, the beloved wife
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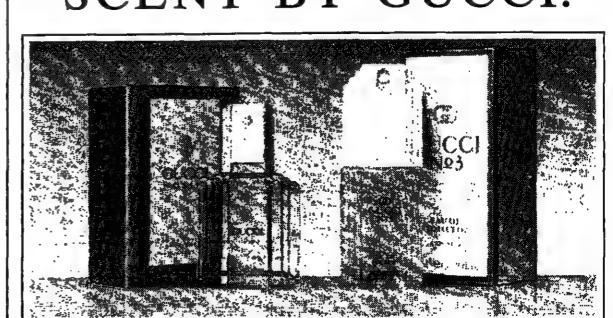
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four months in a pleasant part of Kent is not perhaps the unhappy lot it might be if this were any other part of Greater London. On the contrary, many and varied as were the attractions in a term at Tonbridge, Dulwich returns with relish to its own attractive grounds and playing fiedls, to the Clump and the College Chapel, and the Dulwich Woods. Return revealed also that advantage had been taken of the period of evacuation to make considerable improvements to the buildings, including the centralization of the heating, a most important matter at certain periods of the year.

LIVING IN BILLETS

The school moved from Dulwich at

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the rural features of the scene, that only the Post Office designation could convince one that this is guesta have been removed.

"Now, on our return to Dulwich."

Mr Booth said, "hours of work will be adjusted so that every boy can reach home before the black-out. The same amount of work as of old will be done, but we shall shorten the dinner hour so that school may finish at 3.20. It is realized that there are boys whose parents have been evacuated from London. The college boarding-houses will provide accommodation for some of these; the advantages which a boy derives from a spell in a boarding-house do not need stressing.

acres. Others were in billets of a less palatial kind, but were indebted to hosts and hostesses who were equally hospitable. Masters and boys are most grateful for the kindness extended to them by the people of Tombridge and by their hosts at Tombridge School, whose classrooms, laboratories, fives courts, armoury, and other huildings were freely and other buildings were freely available to the visitors.

Tonbridge School boarding houses or in billets. Twenty-four boys were

country seat set in a park of 600 acres. Others were in billets of a less

All the same the school laboured under unavoidable difficulties and handicaps, and the governors came to the decision that a return to Dulwich would best serve its interests. This could be undertaken in the knowledge that since September adequate air raid shelters had been provided and other precautionary measures taken. And so yesterday between 600 and 700 boys came back to Dulwich to find, contrary to report, that there are no allotments on the 1st XV pitch and no cart tracks across the cricket square, and that all traces of former

EXCELLENT RELATIONS

The Master (Mr W. R. Booth) told me that every one seemed happy to be back, even though at Tonbridge Dulwich had remained Dulwich and the arrangements made between the two schools worked most happily. There Tonbridge worked in the morning and late afternoon, and Dulwich in the early afternoon and evening, though the younger boys were spared evening work.

"When Grandiather bailed out over the Rube, the injuries he sustained were terrible. The Ruyal Air Fune fleamolant Fund remembered him in

THE ARTS

Where is the news, exactly?

Sheridan Morley

Once or twice in every television season, a series comes along which is so splendidly terrible from the outset that it becomes compulsive viewing. One such is clearly going to be Making News, which opened last night on ITV. From the same Thames stable as Capital City, and in the same time-slot, it, too, exemplifies the new-found American serial ethic that five bad plots told simultaneously are a lot more fun than one. This belief has sustained Broax Zoo and thirty-something and all those other multi-stranded sagas that drift like fog over the Atlantic into the still watches of the night.

This one, owing vague debts to
Lou Grant and The Front Page, but
in reality a lot more like the
appalling Studio 5B, concerns a
television news station and the
pion not a million miles from
McEuroe, a vanishing murderer
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were conducted in a breathless,
half-finished, soap-opera style
such as "The an editor, not God
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virtually insualible.

One or two tricks were missed by Michael Aitkens's initial script. The lady on the horse in Ameralia, whom I had decided was the missing murderer in drag, turaed out merely to be a hady on a horse in Amstralia. Next week we are promised a script about Hungary of such tupicality that it has already had to be updated. Given the political and journalistic standards of the opening episode, I can hardly wait to see what the blowdried and brain-dead news-gather-was will make of Communical in white.

Talking of that, last night also saw the start of the main offering in the marathon Soviet season on ITV and Channel 4. Hello, Do You Hear Us? was the first of a five-part series spread across both channels. In h the Latvian director Yuris Podnieks plaus to trace the mood of his contemporaries, through (if the first episode was anything to go by) a free-wheeling collection of interviews, archive clips and moody slow-motion.

Everything from Chernobyl to the Armenian earthquake and back to Battleship Potentitis was thrown in, but at the end of the hour I feit I knew even less than I had before about a vastly complex tapeary.

Over on Channel 4, however, the

continued 4, however, the meason continued with Joseph Brodsky: Maddening Space—Lawrence Pitkethly's infinitely more disciplined and coherent account of the exiled life of the Nobel Prize-winning writer who regards himself as a Russian poet, an American citizen and an English essayist. Jasou Robards's narration wonderfully evoked the present life and past tragedies of Brodsky. The programme confirmed that documentaries really do work best when they have strict beginnings, middles and ends.

Crystal-clear symbols

Jim McCue reflects on the glories of two recent windows by Laurence Whistler,

Britain's most eminent engraver on glass

aurence Whistler says that all of his glass-engravings for churches are symbolic, and he is deliberate and clear about the meanings intended. Such an engraving may have elements with local or personal significance, but it must also express a public, sacred message appropriate to the character of what Whistler has called "that supererogatory, strictly uscless room".

Since 1955, when he installed the first of 14 engraved windows into the church at Moreton in Dorset, Whistler has engraved about 40 windows and panels for churches. Most have been for parish churches, although he also has work in Salisbury Cathedral (with which he has strong family ties) and Sherborne Abbey.

With luck there may soon be enough new engravings to fill a sixth volume in the beautiful series of books, begun almost 40 years ago, of which the last published is Scenes and Signs on Glass (1985).

His two most recent church windows are both memorials, and both depict family houses in the respective, neighbouring parishes of Hannington and Wooton St Lawrence, near Basingstoke. As a boy, Whistler delighted in drawing buildings, and be later became an architectural historium. From St Paul's in the Blitz and the rooftops of Oxford by moonlight to modest private cottages, buildings have frequently appeared in his engravings, and the detail has always belied the obduracy of his medium.

But the life of a house makes it a home, and each of the two recent windows shows growth and abundance. The affirmative symbolism subsumes the personal references, yet is informed by Whistler's own understanding of the good in life, our fleeting good luck.

The window at Hannington was commissioned by the Hon. Christopher Hodson, to celebrate a happy marriage and to commemorate his wife Rose. A rose breaks from her bedroom window at Stoney Hall, and becomes entwined with a vine from the chimney to form a cross, representing the true vine of the Gospel.

The aspiration towards Heaven

is rooted at home on earth, and the hope that what is good on earth is a reflection of Heaven is expressed in the quotation from *Paradise Lost*: "What if Earth / Be but the shadow of Heaven and things therein / Each to other like?"

This engraving, in the south

This engraving, in the south sanctuary window, joins another in the church, installed in 1979, in memory of a farmer, William Whistler, who is believed to have been a distant relative of the

The theme of the memorial diptych engraved for Wooton St Lawrence is "the ambiguity of life on earth, with its happiness and suffering, glory and desolation held in balance". The left-hand light shows in silhouette the undifferentiated bulk of a yew tree, "for the blankness of bereavement". The tree is clear, unengraved glass, but to exist it must be outlined, and by giving it incandescent tips, Whistler makes it stand also for eternal life, a light beyond death that we may sense but not look upon.

In the right-hand light, the tuliptree flowers luxuriantly upwards in celebration of life on earth. This tree also has a personal significance, for it is derived from one planted by Whistler's grandfather, the Rev. Charles Ward, who was vicar of the parish for 32 years.

Unfortunately, just as the panes at Wooton were about to be installed, one cracked, and the work had to be repeated.

a well as inscribing pictures, a glass-engraver, unlike a painter or etcher, is obliged to use the ambiguity of the medium. Whistler's engravings should be seen against a dark background, so that the transparent areas appear dark, while the non-transparent engraving catches the light and becomes translucent. Accordingly, many of his finest

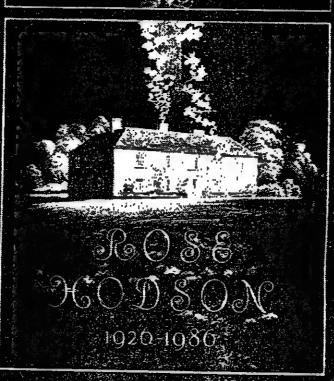
engravings have depended upon imagining "scenes and signs" which make play with light. He once wrote about being stimulated by emblems of "suns, moons, lamps, rainbows, stars, candles, and meteors" in pictures from a book, because the sources and effects of light are the best themes for engraving on glass. Picked out in tiny glints, their essence is more than depicted, it is reproduced.

The medium imposes a con-

stant concern with light, which either shines apparently from within the engravings or streams through, making them invisible. This is true of the bowls, goblets and prisms he engraves, but is particularly important in the case of church windows, which are lit by an inconstant, diurnal source. The engravings may vanish as

the sun moves, for as Whistler says, they are "composed more of nothing than of something, more of gap than of scratch". Whereas a stained-glass window must be a whole "canvas" — replete if only with background colour — an engraving, with its somewhat ghostly effect, is less explicit, more suggestive, and must leave part of the area untouched.





Rose Hodson's window: by Laurence Whistler, at Hannington, Hants

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Pleasing pick-and-mix premiere

Jonathan Lloyd's Fifth Symphony, given its world premiere by the Birmingham Contemporary Music Group on Sunday, is a fairly useful kind of piece for any composer to have up his sleeve. Contrary to the implications of its title, the work is relatively short and scored for the economical Pierrot Lunaire-based ensemble of violin (doubling viola), cello, flate (doubling piccolo), clarinet and piano, with a quantity of percussion added for good measure.

It can also be consumed in two different ways. Either you take it as it is, or (once Lloyd has finished his Sixth Symphony) you will be able to listen to it as the middle movement of a "macro-symphony" consisting of the three symphonies from number four onwards.

I suspect that it is as a central movement that the symphony works better, for it seems to imply a wider context, another beginning and another, more fulfilled, end. Nevertheless as it stands it is an intriguing thing, though sometimes annoying in the way it

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repeats short, naive melodic cells

ad infinitum.

Perhaps this is a deliberate tongue-in-cheek message to those who would claim that new music offers little for an average listener to grasp hold of easily. If so, however, it is also surely a pertinent demonstration to minimalists—the evening included the dull rituals of Steve Reich's Vermont Counterpoint in its incarnation for live and taped flute (Colin Lilley) as well as Michael Torke's facile The Yellow Pages—

substantial out of very little.

That soon becomes evident with the emergence of genuinely developmental passages, of

that you can make something

purposeful counterpoint, of sustained lyrical lines and neurotic, desperate climaxes. Lloyd explains the Symphony as a constant sequence of shifting towards and away from a common musical material. In essence it is a reinterpretation of the classic symphonic principles, where contrast leads to argument which leads to an attempt at resolution.

It was given with glistening confidence by the BCMG under the direction of Jonty Harrison, and came at the end of an weight first half, which besides Reich and Torke included Sir Peter Maxwel! Davies's still deliciously naughty versions of Purcell's Fantasia upon a Ground, with its over-strident harmonics. and two Pavans turned into oversentimental foxtrots. These were equally brilliantly done, as, in rather more determined way, was Webern's transcription for the Pierrot ensemble of Schoenberg's First Chamber Symphony.

Eric suits himself

Michael Gray

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Eric Clapton NEC, Birmingham

Eric Clapton is a complex man — or, expressed in the terms his image encourages, he is an odd bloke, old Eric. He can be the reverent curator of the Robert Johnson legacy, but he can equally be the wily old music-biz "miladdo", all Cockneyisms and self-congratulation.

He can blend into a businessmen's luncheon-club binge on equal terms with a bunch of overgrown wide-boys, as if OK, rock 'n' roll's his game, but it could just as well be kiss-me-quick hats or frozen food. And yet he can talk, not just respectfully but with succinct critical acumen, about his own generation's most gifted musicians (of Bob Dylan, at the Isle of Wight: "He was being Hank Williams."). And while, in interviews, Clapton has often talked about what he currently calls his "chaotic" personal life in a way most celebrities would feel was recklessly unguarded, he can step on to the public stage to sing and play guitar — and keep it oddly impersonal throughout.

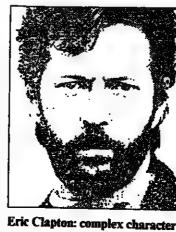
This is how it was at Birmingham's NEC Arena on Monday night. With his smallest-possible band – drums, bass, and keyboards – Clapton played long and loud, touching bases from Robert Johnson to Stevie Wonder, from Cream's "White Room" to his own latest US-chart-topping LP, Journeyman and from Bo Diddley to "I Shot The Sheriff" via "Layla".

Only at rare moments did

Only at rare moments did Clapton drop his guard on stage; he was, instead, the man in the Armani suit, the solidly reliable golden pro, with the weight of bigcareer realism on his shoulders, putting a guif between himself and his adoring crowd. It felt as if Clapton was up there to keep this great machinery on the road these teams of people, these roadcrews, and record company staff, these technicians and accountants, agents and lawyers, hairdressers and journalists - and not, as it should feel, as if the juggernaut were there to put the artist on the stage. However his guitar might

burn, nothing unpredictable,

risky, or truly of the moment was



This makes for a standard

This makes for a strangely institutionalized version of a rock concert. It was odd to watch. In front of an unimaginative lightshow and curiously timid dry-ice (yes, I'm afraid so), the man in the suit - a suit on a different sartonal planet from the Birmingham audience's dingy clothes walked to and fro a bit, producing immaculate spirited flights of fancy from his guitar. Often these built up to spluttering, filigreed crescendos, while he went on looking for all the world like someone doing a survey at the side of a motorway. Still, it was a two-anda-half-hour show, and at least Phil Collins did not arrive for the

I won't dance...

John Percival reveals new developments in the dispute between Rudolf Nureyev and

the management of the Paris Opéra Ballet

Trouble has blown ap again for the Rallet of the Paris Opéra. Rudolf Nureyev, who agreed last November to accept a new appointment as principal choreographer, has refused to sign the draft contract sent to him because it contains an unexpected and unprecedented clause that he should have no say in the casting of his productions. In protest, he has threatened to withdraw all his works, in lating the three Tchaikovsky ballets, the two hig Prokofiev ballets, and two other classics, Raymonds and Don Opicore.

To add to the company's problems, an intended tour of Russia has fallen through, leaving them with no performances until April, while their own theatre is occupied by visiting companies. Also, the appointment of a new director (confidently promised before the end of December) has not yet been made.

The effect on this season's

The effect on this season's schedules, if Nureyev's productions were withdrawn, would be dinastron. When the season resumes in April, his Swan Lake and a new Bayadère by him are due to provide about three in every five



Nureyev: new contract unsigned performances. The only other programmes announced are a production by Reland Petit (whe has not yet said what it will be and an evening by American another choreographers, including Marce Cambridgham, Paul Taylor and Mark Mouris.

The dancers, accustomed in a

The dancers, accustoment to a repertoire including many demanding big classic production, would not be happy without them. But, with funds needed to start up the new Bastille opera house, resources for replacing the classics at the old opera house are likely to be limited.

Table-top commedia

Jeremy Kingston

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Shaw

The twelfth London Mime Festival kicks off with a madrigal comic opera composed in 1597 by Orazio Vecchi, a quarrelsome native of Modena whose works

have not previously come my way.

I am not competent to judge the niceties of its music, scored for five voices, but since the singers are dressed as waiters in an Italian restaurant, and the action 'takes place on a huge checked tablectoth between giant cuttery and criets, you will gather that the event is more than your ordinary madrigal

The presenting company is. Trestle Theatre, whose work hist year was Ties that Bind, a hauntingly powerful story of a schoolgirl sexually abused by her father. The actors wore full-face masks moulded into exaggerate but fixed expressions, and the subtleties that could nevertheless be conveyed through them were a revelation.

The Slopes of Parnassus, as their new show's title translates, has the very different intention of being no more than entertainment. The original commedia dell'arte characters have been brought smack up to date but in their new guises still enact the old emotions of jealousy, despair and rapture detailed by the libratto.

The evening's enjoyment is twofold: admiring the sensitive use of the masks, and laughing at the tricks the production plays with the scaled-up crockery and food.

food.

It begins with the laying of the table, one waiter dragging on the knife, another staggering under the burden of the pepperpot; then

with a flourish the menu is

opened, through a door in which the proprietor, Pantelone, bustles in to inspect the table.

The other characters are a pair of shy lovers, a pranksome younger couple, who buzz in and out on a bike, and a modern version of the boasting Captain. This last character first appears as Tom Jones and then as Gary Glitter, finally being driven from the stage under a bombardment of ravioli captions.

The jokey use of scale means that a despairing lover can take a suicide leap from the top of the menu and his stricken beloved can try to impale herself on the times of the fork. There is a lot of this sort of fun, but where the evening departs widely from the spirit of commedia is in its speed.

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Trestle's type of mime is typically allow-moving in the way it builds its effects, and it is a mistake to make gaps between the items coincide with gaps in the singing.

Longueurs apart, the festival has got off to a bright start, and the sight of Alan Riley treating a slice of meion as a gondola is a joyful mement.



Trestle mask: fixed expression

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Hats off to the revolution: five of the adopted Romanian children waiting to fly from Bucharest to Paris; for the time being, though, the new authorities say there will be no more adoptions

Taking small liberties

he emotional scenes at Orly airport in Paris 10 days ago had even the hardened security guards in tears. It was difficult, in fact, not to be moved by the sight of 52 tiny Romanian children arriving. wide-eyed and bewildered, to be hugged and kissed by their new adoptive families, some of whom had waited more than four years for this moment.

Now - without the benefit of a common language — the families have begun the slow process of introducing the children to their new life. "She plays, she sings, she dances," says Pierre Labrosse, overcome with emotion that three-yearold Laure has really arrived - the was three months old when the

Labrosses first asked to adopt her. The Huet family are well aware of the adaptation difficulties. "She will observe us for a few days to see how far she can go," says Geneviève Huet, speaking of four-year-old Verane, whom they legally adopted three years ago but who has had to wait until now to join her older gister, Mariana, also adopted in

Until 1987 Romania was a favourite choice for French families wishing to adopt a foreign child. According to a spokeswoman for tion, based in Paris, not only was there a plentiful supply of children but, unlike other countries with children to adopt, it was possible to go to Romania to choose your own

hild from the orphanage. Adoption procedures in France are taken case by case. The only requirement for couples applying to adopt either in France or abroad. according to the mission, is that they should have been married five years or be over 30 years old. There is no upper age limit for adoption, and-children can be adopted by unmarried couples living together if just one of the partners applies.

Behind the story of the Romanian children flown to France is a remarkable adoption policy: one 'orphan' is now living with a 64-year-old mother. Susan MacDonald reports

The oldest child among the 62 arrivals is eight-year-old Roxana, who was adopted by Philippe and Marie-Jo Chabin. The Chabins have made 11 trips to Romania to see her over the past three years, selling their car to pay the fares. Philippe Chabin twice went on hunger strike to put pressure on the Ceausescu regime.

The oldest adult among the parents finally united with their adopted children is 64-year-old Gaby Janin. Janin has two children of her own, but thought she would like to adopt another. She had to wait three years for Violine, now

aged four, to be allowed to leave. Last year 971 foreign children were adopted by French families, of whom more than half came from Brazil, often through unofficial channels. Although the Romanian children have lived in the equivalent of orphanages since birth, few are, in fact, orphans. Most were handed over to the state by mothers too poor to keep them.

The adoption procedure used to take around a year to complete once all the papers had been collected. A voman for France's Ministry for the Family said a fee of between \$600 and \$1,000 had to be handed over for administration expenses, although she insisted that there had been no question of "buying" the children. But the facility of foreign adoptions ended in 1987, when Ceausescu refused to let those children already adopted by foreigners - mainly French and Italian leave Romania. Around 200 French families found themselves in a political tug-of-war. The children were being used by the

Ceausescu regime to obtain concessions from France, which became determined to protect the families' interests.

It was a refined form of torture for the would-be parents, as one father describes it now. They were not allowed to claim their adopted children but, bringing in valuable foreign currency and food, clothing

The most serious illness among the orphanage children was reported to be frostbite

and medicine for the orphanase. they were allowed to continue to visit Orphanage No 1 in Bucharest, where children adopted by foreigners were kept in long lines of cots with, according to some parents, little handcuffs attached to the

Elena Ceausescu took a personal interest in the 718 children in this orphanage, and, according to a nurse there, conditions were slightly better than in others. The director of another orphanage, Titza Batezatu, when asked recently what was the most serious illness among her 226 children, replied: "Frostbite." In Orphanage No 1, say the French families, the temperature was not supposed to fall below 14°C, but in others, they reported, there were times when wet nappies froze on the

further and banned the visits as well, although 60 children out of the 200 waiting were allowed to fly to France when a series of commercial contracts was signed between France and Romania that year. Hopes of ever seeing their children again were further dashed when both President Mitterrand and Prime Minister Michel Rocard publicly denounced the Romanian

regime early last year. As time dragged on, some families renounced their claims, others were informed that their children had died or contracted serious illnesses, but a hard core struggled on, pushing their case under the noses of politicians and into the newspapers whenever possible.

Then came unexpected hope with the startling events of December and the execution of the dictator and his wife. The French government moved swiftly. It obtained the agreement of the new Romanian authorities that children who had aiready been legally adopted could leave the country, but the Romapians made it clear that no new requests for adoption would be

considered at present. A charter plane was organized by the French Foreign Ministry. Along with French government officials, one parent from each of the families concerned was on the plane that flew to Bucharest-Otopeni airport on January 6 in the hope of picking up the children. But for six of those on board it was a moment of cruel disappointment. They learnt on arrival that their adopted children had been taken back by their

original parents, following a move

by the Romanian authorities to find the real families of all children concerned, in case they had changed their minds following the revolution. "I am very pleased for my child and his family," said Claude Vidal, standing alone with tears streaming down his face.

For the lucky ones, after heartstopping last-minute butches, 62 children were released from Bucharest's Orphanage No 1 into the care of the French consul, who handed them over to their adoptive parents, together with a new Romanian passport for each child on which the ink was still wet.

The first reaction of the parents was to strip the children of their orphanage clothing and dress them in the new clothes they had brought with them to Bucharest, so that, hugging teddy-bears and dolls, the toddlers arriving in Paris looked like little bundles of colourful winter clothing.

Some disappointed parents are still waiting for the 15 adopted children for whom legalities were not completed in time for them to join the flight out of Romania. However, the French government says that these children will be allowed to come to France in the near future. But the thoughts of Vincent Veyradier, who brought three-year-old Alexandre from Bucharest after a three-year wait, are with those children who will remain in Romanian orphanages. He plans in March to drive a truck to Bucharest filled with 35 tons of

clothing and medicine. François Massot, National Assembly deputy and president of the France-Romania Friendship Society, says he has been told in Romania that, once these last adoption cases have been sorted out, there will be no more. "The new Romanian authorities do not want to hear any more about abandoned Romanian babies being adopted by foreigners," he says.

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Anxiety all sewn up

As the ambulance dispute deepens, the Health Secretary's wife knows how to stay calm — and she wins prizes for it

hile the Health Secretary, Kenneth Clarke, wrestles with the pay claim of 22,500 ambulance staff, hostile public opinion and a baying Parliament, plus the controversial National Health Service reforms, his wife soothes her anxieties with an old and traditional balm for the mind. Gillian Clarke, who met Kenneth while studying medieval history at Cambridge, is a highly accomplished maker of patchwork and appliqué quilts

and hangings.
In the couple's Nottingham home, two large and particularly lovely hangings domi-nate the wall space. They represent "The Labours of the for a cause he believes in, and

panels based on medieval manuscripts and won her bandapplique prize at the 1988 National Championships, and the 1989 Quilts

Sewing, she says, is the perfect remedy for anxiety and the ideal way nings, "I spend a lot of time on my own, so if

Kenneth's kept late at the House I can get completely absorbed," she says. "Merely holding the cloth and stitching by hand is soothing."

Her time is split between the house in Nottingham and their London flat, and she always carries needlework with her to occupy the train journeys. She married 25 years ago, while studying for a postgraduate degree "By the time I'd finished my MLitt, I had a baby and Ken had been adopted by a marginal seat which he won. Although I've not been able to take up a paid career, I've been involved with the consumency, and have been an Oxfam

volunteer for 19 years." She took up quilting 13 years ago when convalescing after an operation - her first effort, a bedspread made from hexagons, is still on the Clarkes' bed. Her other interest is wildflower photography; while she looks for rare specimens, her husband joins her for bird-watching.

Is her husband's tough public image at odds with the private man? "The reason be's firm with the ambulancemen is that he has the whole of the health service to consider, Mrs Clarke says loyally, "To be inappropriately generous to one group means cuis elsewhere, I would say he's firm

he's being firm for the good of whole NHS, which be has very much at heart." She pauses

to stress that her thoughts are not officcomment. "I'm a concerned member of the public, with perhaps a little bit more inside information than anyone

to pass the eve- Application: Gillian Clarke else - or perhaps I've been listening more carefully to what Ken has been saying. "Kenneth has said if he had

to produce his plans for privatizing the National Health Service there would be a blank sheet of paper, it amazes me that people can say the uitimate aim of reforms is to privatize the health service. That's not true — his aim is to devote more resources to patient care.

The Clarke's youngest child. Susan, a student nurse aged 20, will soon marry, hence her mother's current task: a traditional wedding quilt, com-plete with hearts, love apples

Christine Webb

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Year, and tomorrow the Dys-lexia Awareness Campaign will be launched at a press conference hosted by the architect Richard Rogers. He is one of many notable dyslexics who feature in Susan Hampshire's new book, Every Letter Counts (Bantam Press, £13.95), to be published next week to coincide with the beginning of the three-week campaign. The letters of the title are those Hampshire has received over the years from dyslexics telling her how they surmounted the problem, and the book includes interviews with Rogers, Beryl Reid, Jackie Stewart, Felicity Kendal and Michael Heseltine. During the campaign branches of W.H. Smith, Waterstones and Sherratt and Hughes will be offering information, as will libraries, Citizens' Advice Bureaux, Job Centres and careers offices and the television series

dyslexia as a storyline. Silver service

Brookside is already using

Napoleon's lavish silver gill dinner service and some other. more practical items will be on display at the 1990 linernational Silver and Jeweilery Fair and Seminar, at the Park Lane Hotel from February 9 to 12 (11am-8pm, admission £5). Lectures, beginning with Diana Scarisbrick on "ancestral jewels", must be booked sepa-

A round-up of news, views and information

rately in advance, and cost £10 for the first and £7 for each subsequent talk. For a schedule and booking forms send SAE to the International Silver and Jewellery Fair and Seminar, 3B Burlington Gardens, Old Bond Street, London WIX ILE (01-734

Model children

Despite detailed licensing laws for child performers, there have been no rules governing working practices for child models engaged in still photography - an omission which was worrying some model agencies. So three of them - Elisabeth Smith, Norrie Carr and Tiny Tots have got together under the aegis of the Association of

Quote me . .



"We have agreed. Only the time and place have to be set." Jerry Hall, confirming that she and Mick Jagger are to marry

plaque and sensitivity caused by receding gums. Israeli scientists have been experimenting with a controlled-release liquid polymer which slowly releases chlorhexidine, the antiseptic agent currently contained in certain anti-plaque rinses. This direct application method requires a lower concentration of the antiseptic which can, in large quantities, cause discoloration of the teeth. The polymer can also protect the sensitive roots of the teeth. The product - in the form of a toothpaste - should be on the market in Britain during 1990, says the Britain/Israel Public Affairs Centre, 126/134 Baker Street, London WIM 1FH (01-486 4141), which will provide

Victoria McKee

Catherine's Mews, Milner Street, London SW3 2PX Tooth relief Encouraging news is on the way for sufferers from dental

further details.

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OUT OF TOWN

GUILDFORICE Dear Charles Calebraing the treatre's 25th anniversary with an Alan Melville comedy that gave Yvonne Armaud a long London Run in the 50s;

this time with Penelope Keen, Michael Devision, Francis Matthews, Aubury

Tyome Amand Thesire, VSErook (0483 60191), 7.30pm, 23-216.

Glass Now Mirne Ensemble premiera their stegling of the life and trees of the great spinach-eater. At the Lundon Mirne Festival from Jan 23.

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(091 232 9974), tonight, tomorrow, Fri and Sat 8pm, Sat mat 2.30pm, 23.80-26

FILMS

Also on national release in Advance booking possible

BACK TO THE PUTURE II (PO):

Enjoyably andic but over-ingenious sequel to the 1985 hit, with Michael J.

Fox and Christopher Lloyd zipping to-and-fro through the time spectrum: directed as before by Robert Zemeckie

THE (THEAM TEAM (12): Maddeep, occasionally testeless, adventures of four mental inceptal persents let look on Memisters With Medical focus on Peter Boyle, directed by Howard Zieff

(113 mm) Plaza (01-200 0200) Proge 12.45, 3 15,

Provocative morality play about an unrepentant junide (Matt Ditton) who finally faces up to his lifestyte. Directe by Gus van Sent with a strong feel for the underside of American society (10)

Cannon Oxford St (01-636 0310), Progs 1.15, 3.40, 6.05, 8.35, Gata Cinema (01-727 4043), Progs 2.30, 4.40, 6.50, 9.00.

Metro (01-437 0757). Progs 2.80, 4.40, 6.50, 9.00.

EARTH CIRLS ARE EASY (PG): A speceship eager for female delights crashes in Los Angeles: cue for a wild, rude, modish musical comedy from Absolute Beginners director Julien Temple, With Genes Davis, Jeff Goldol, m (100 mins), Caranon Oxford Street (01-830 0310). Progs 1.00, 3.35, 8.00, 8.35,

AN ENERTY OF THE PEOPLE (U):

Satyant Ray's intimate, updeted treatment of libern's play; with Chetteril as a crusading doctor facing the brick wall of religious tensecism (100 mm). Renoir (07-837 8402). Progs 2.20, 4.25, 6.35, 6.50.

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DRUGSTONE COWBOY (10):

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THEATRE LONDON

* 'ALLO 'ALLO: Last chance to see the Queen Mum's favourite show on stage. Pitch your expectations low. Ends Jan.

Pelladium Theatre, Argyle St, W1 (01-437 7373). Tube: Oxford Circus. Mon-Fri

8pm, Sai 8.30pm; mats Wed 2.45pm and Sai 5.30pm, £3.75-£16.50. & BERT: Ian McKellen, Michael Cushmen in revival of Martin Shaman's powerful drame of the Nazi persecution

of homosexuate. Neticinal Theatre (Lythillian), South Waterloo in preview, 7.30pm. Opens Fri. 7pm. then in rep. Previews and Sa mare 15-12.50; even from Fri 77-£15.50; ali weekday mats £6.

A THE DOUBLE BASE Ron Bergles In welcome revival at Patrick Sustand's very funny love-hate affair with his large Watermen's Arts Centre, 40 High St. Brentford (07-588 1176). Tube: Gunnersbury & bus/ BR: Kew Gerdens. Mon-Sat 8pm, 25.95.

O A LIFE IN THE THEATRE: Donbolm Study of an old actor and his ambition unior: the players stronger than the

play. Strand Theetre, Aldwych, WC2 (01-836 2660), Tube: Covern Garden, Tues-Sat 8pm; mats Thurs, Set and Sun 4.20pm, £9-£16.50.

Ir WES SAKDON: Great new musical with Jonathan Pryce; thrillingly staged. Theatre Royal, Drury Lane, WC2 (01-836 8108). Tube: Covent Garden. Mon-Set 7.45-10.30orr; mats Wed and Set 3-5.45pm. 27-£22.50.

& CUR COUNTRY'S GOOD: Triple sward-winning play by Timbertake Wertenbeker serin Nilw South Wat Working and the second was a converse and ordered to decome action.

Germet Theatre, Charring Cross Rd.

EC2 (01-379 6107). Tube: Leicester Sq.

Mon-Thurs 8-10.20pm, Fri and Sat 8.1510.35pm; mets Fri and Sat 5-7.20pm,

E7.50-215.

& SHIRLEY VALENTINE Hegnah Gordon in With Plussell's award-winning one-woman play in which a domestic worm triumphantly turns.
Dutin of York's Theory. St Martin's Lane, WC2 (01-836 5122). Tube:
Leleaster Sq. Mon-Sat 8-10, 15pm; mets Sat 5-7, 15pm and Thure 3-6, 15pm, 25-14.

Transfer of hit show from the King's Head that catches the sound and leeling of a night out in 1954; clever songe by the Heilther Brothers.

Arts Treatre, Gt Newport St, WC2 (01-838 2132). Tube: Lencester Sq. Mon-Thurs Spm, Fri and Set Spm and 6.45pm, £7.50-£17.50.

& STREETWALKER: Sound Troops o'd operal based on Hogarth's engravings of the country girl picking her way through the itempots of London. Bush Thesare, Shepherd's Bush Green, W12 (01-743 3388), Tube: Shepherd's Bush. Previews tonight and tomorrow 8pm, opens Fri 7pm, then Tues-Sat 8pm, 25.

Elger: Cello Concerto

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An opening choice



Social codes: choreographer Virginia Mason in rehearsal with Celia Imrie and Jonathan Dow at Sadler's Wells in Parsait of the English is the first of a puls of plays to ed at the Lyric Studio Theatre, Ham smith, by Cut and Thrust, a new company set up by two directors, Matthew Francis and Caroline Shanna. Though the aim is to produce new writing. the opening choice seems a contradiction of this: In Purmit is an adaptation of an early Doris Lessing novel and the second play (opening on February 9) is Hangover Square, the Patrick Hamilton psychological thriller. But not only do the plays have a thematic link

- London just after and London just before the war -but both are reworkings of their original texts. In
Katle Campbell's adaptation of the Lessing, the

PELLOW TRAVELLER (13; Microsol Eston's viorguing drams about the bracker are directed by Philip Savide, with Hen Boomer and Ron Silver as Hollywood radicate variously coping with the NacCarthy rightsmare.

Metro (0.1-437 0757). Proge 2.45, 4.46, 6.45, 6.45,

LAST EXIT TO BRICORD YN (16): Flaw, powerful version of Hubert Selby Jr's once-controversial novel of Brooklyn

Unice-controversial novel of Brooklyn Me, from the director of Christians F, Utrich Edel, With Seighen Lang, Jennite Jeson Leigh (102 min). Ocean West Eust (01-930 5252/7515). Progs 1.00, 3.30, 6.05, 8.45.

MYSTERY TRAIN (15) Mostly delicious

episodic film from the unique, teidback Jim Jarmusch, focused on the overrigh visitors at a Memphie hotel. With Yould Kudoh, Screenin' Jay Hamfelns (113

tran), Lumière (01-836 0891). Progs 1.40, 4.00, 6.25, 8.50.

Screen on the Green (01-226 3520). Progs 4.00, 6.40, 8.50.

PARENTHOOD (12): Episodic heart-

warmer from Flon Howard about the loys and sorrows of raising children with a large, excellent cast (Steve Martin,

Mary Steenburgen, Dienne Wiest, Jason Roberds) (114 min). Camon Seher Smart (01-835 9772). Progs 2-20, 5-30, 8-10.

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Carron Santabary Avenue (01-838 8279). Progs 2.15, 5.06, 7.55 Notting Hill Coronet (01-727 6705). Progs 3.00, 5.36, 8.10. Pleza (01-487 1284). Progs 12.15, 3.00, 5.45, 8.30.

Whiteleys f (01-792 3303). Progs 12.30, 3.15, 6.00, 8.45.

ROSALIE GOES ENOFFRIG (15): Broad

satire from director Percy Adion and the amole Martanne Sagebrecht (94 min).

Cennon Shaftesbury Ave (01-836 8279). Proga 1.20, 3.40, 6.00, 8.20 Cholese Cinesta (01-351 3742). Proga 2.25, 4.30, 6.40, 8.55 Screen on the HBI (01-433 3443). Proga 2.55, 4.55, 7.05, 9.00.

TURNER AND HOOCH (PS): Privideble

TURBER AND MODEN (PSE Predictable coperated by Torn Hamles as the police investigator (99 min).

Cunnon Chelsee (01-352 5096). Progs 1.45, 4.10, 7.10, 9.40.

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Progs 12.40, 3.20, 6.00, 8.40.

Whitsleys 3 (01-792 3303). Progs 1.00, 3.30, 6.15, 8.35.

WORD-WATCHING | WINNING MOVE

hereine (Melanie Jensop), recently arrived from South Africa, tries to pick her way through the social codes of her new home; and in the Hamilton, reworked by Fidelis Morgan, the schizophrenic "hero" (Dudley Sutton) tries to rid himself of his passion for Netta, a social butterfly played in this version by two actresse Celia Imrie and Anne Lambton. The company is bein sponsored by Allied Lyons, which has also provided rehearsal space behind its City head office. In Pursuit of the English is at the Lyric Studio Theatre, London W6 (01-741 0824). Previews tonight at 7.45pm and es tomorrow at 7pm, £6.

Jeremy Kingston

CONCERTS LUNCHTIME

★ VIRTUOSO TRANSCRIPTIONS: Thomas Wales old pinys an ambidious programme of works transcribed by Liszt Including the Gounod Faust Wattz, Schubert's Seranade, Chopin's My Joys, Pagenini's Le Campanelle and the great Hexameron Variations on a theme from Bellini's Purtianuby Liszt, Chopin, Thelham. Prine Camma and Herz. Thalberg, Pigis, Czerny and Herz. Yamasa Pisno Sacasa, 24 Prince St. London W1 (01-406 0210), 1-2pm, free.

EVENING

◆ SEROO'S SEROO: The Barbican Serio Series and with the composer conducting the BBC SO and others in his Passaggio and Coro. Berbican Centre, Silk St, London EC2 (01-636 8891), 7pm, 24, 27.

& SCHOLARLY YALLIS THE THREE Scholars sing pieces by Mouton, Brumel, Regis, Obrecht and de la Rive. 8t Johann, Smith Sq. London SW1 (01-222-1061), 7.30pm, £3.50-£7.

☆ NOS 3, 3 AND 6: Bryden Thomson Orchamors in Bennhowen's Leonors No 3 Overture, Nietsen's Symphony No 3 and Beethoven's Plano Concerto No 5 "The Emperor" (John L.E., solcist), Calird Hell, 6 City Sq., Dunder (1782, 202513), 7.30pm, 23.95-211.70.

A MARE SEELLUSE After Beethoven's Chartet Op 59 No 1 the Gebried Chartet are joined by Anthony Geldstone for what is thought to be the first London performance of Sibelius's Pieno Cultitet Wigners Hall, 36 Wigners St, London W1 (01-685 2141), 7.30pm, 24-27.

& PARROTT/MP The London Mozert Players are conducted by Andrew Mandelstoffn's Midsummer Night's Dream oversure, Bizet's Symphony, Mozurt's Symphony No 27 and Schubert's Symphony No 2. Causen Elizabeth Hall, South Bank, London SE1 (01-928 8600), 7.45pm,

GALLERIES

ANNE DUNNE Recent landscape and AMILE DUME: Recent undecape and still-fire pentings. Christopher Hall Gellery, 17 Motoomb St. London SW1 (01-235 0500), Mon-Fri 10am-9pm, Set 10am-1pm, free, until Feb 9.

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TRANSFORMATION: THE LEGACY OF AUTHORITY: Works by 24 young art Aberystrytt Arts Centre, Perchis (0970 624278), Mon-Sat 10em-Sprt, free, urm Feb 17.

AUGUSTIN DEMIZEL (1878-1967): A career survey of paintings by a Ritie-known post-impressionler. Mortey Quillary, 61 Westminster Bridge Rd, London SE1 (01-928 8501), Mon-Fil 10am-5pm, free, until Feb 8. GILLIAN AYRES: Recent paintings by a

leading abstract artist.
Cornerhouse, 70 Oxford St, Manchester (061 228 7621), Tuee-Sun noon-8pm, tree, until Jan 26.

THE OTHER STORY: Works by post-wer British artists of African, Asian and Caribbean crigin-Hayward Gallery, South Benk Centre, London SET (01-261 0127), daily 10em-6pm, 24, until Feb 4.

- ROCK

HUE AND CRY: Scotish pop-soul politics the Kare brothers, with draw rescheduled from lest December. Original tickets valid. Hammaramati Odeon, Owen Caroline St, London W6 (01-748 4081), 7.30pm,

+ SHAPLY RED: Mick Hudernil's blueeyed soul experience settles in for a home facure. G-Mez, City Centro, Manchester (061 834 2700), 7.30pm, £12-£14, for three

Y: A dazzeng which celebrates the Beatles' heritag as much as it showcases last year's Flowers in the Dat about. Wembley Arena, Empire Way, Middlesex (01-902 1234), 7.30pm, £18.50, and for six more nights.

 □ LENNY KRAYITZ: Mestanic American dread-rocker with a unique combination of Sixtles funk, bubblegum rock and heavily spiritual psychedelia located somewhat the seates on the stylistic spectrum. A star of the Ninetias in the making.

Little Paris St, Mancrastin (061 228 3556), 7.30pm, £4.

JAZZ ~

to DEN'EY RECREW'S Socord of three nights from the Old And New Dreams sexcohonist, accompanied by the house trio led by Peter Ind. Bess Clef. 35 Coronet St. London N1 (81-729 2476), 8.45pm, 25.50.

ANN RUMPTON CALLAWAY: NO relation to Lional Hampton or Cab Calloway, the New York cabaret singer comes highly recommended by George

Pizza On The Park, 11 Knightsbridge, London SW1 (01-235 5550), 9.15pm & 11.15pm, ring for prices. To Feb 3.

A MONTY SUNSHINE: The ex-King Colver clarinettist serves up the usual bouncy trad standards. 100 Club, 100 Oxford St. London W1 (01-636 0933), 7.30pm-midnight, £5. * RAY GELATO: Louis Jordan-style hits from the saxophonist and his Jumpin' Jive band. Double Bass, 182 Earls Court Rd.

- DANCE

London SW5 (01-835 2021), 9.30pm,

☆ THE NUTCRACKER: Peter
Schäufuse's complicated version of the
Tchalkovsky classic for English National Batlet. Royal Feetival Hall, South Bank, London SE1 (01-828 8800), 7.30pm, 25-E19.50.

☆ LAURENTIA: The virtuoso pes de six T LAURENTIA: THE VISIOSO DES OF SIX from Chabulden)'s heroic belief is given by the Royal Bailet with a revival of Ashton's great romantic comedy La Fille Mai Gardée. Royal Opera Heisse, Covent Garden, London WC2 (01-240 1066), 7.30pm, £1-

-- OPERA --

FAURT: Revivel of Ism Judge's powerful production for English National Dours, poised between the Ismnotosis and the harmowing. Arthur Davies, John Tominson and Välens Massarson Isma acast conducted by Jecques Delacote. Column. St Martin's Lime, London WC2 (01-836 3161), 7-30-10-30pm, 22-993

to DOM PASQUALE: New production of Dominate's opera built for Opera Mortic. Andrew Shore plays the old hypochondrac of the title role, and David Lloye-sones conducts. Grand Thams, Lecta (0532 458351), 7.15-9.45pm, 25-221.

★ EUGENE ONEGIN: Surrey Opera

mounts a new production of Tchalkovsky's work in English, directed by Paul Maloney and conducted by Jonathan Butcher. Harlequin Theatre, Radhill, Surrey (0737, 785547), 7.45-10.30pm, 26.50-27. ☆ CAUCASIAN CHALK CIFICLE: See picture, below. Sadier's Wells Theeirs, Rosebery Ave. London EC2 (01-278 8919), 7.30pm, 24-



Having just enjoyed a successful revival of its ballad-opera Captain Stirrick at Islington's Lilian Bay-Music Theatre now opens next door with its Cancusian Chalk Circle, by Bertolt Brecht (above), at Sadler's Wells Theatre (see listings). This is Brecht with a difference: the tale of injustice, bribery and love is accompanied by

a Chinese-influenced acore by Stephen Warbeck. Ensemble sing-ing and masked spectacle, at both of which the NYMT excels, sharpen the impact of this play, with music directed by Mark Pattenden.

- WALKS

THE LEGENDARY WORLD OF SHERILOCK HOLNIES: Meet Beker Street tube, 7.30pm, £3 (01-624 9981). PIRATES, SMUGGLERS AND PRESSGAMGS — A DOCKLANDS PUB WALK: Meet Tower His tube, 23.50. GUIDED TOUR OF GREENWICH: Most Greenwich Information Centre, noon and 2pm, £3 (01-858 6376).

- TALKS - -

GALLERY LECTURE: Camera Portraits a talk in the exhibition by Liz Rideet, National Portrait Gallery, St Martin's Place, London WCZ (01-930 1552), 1.10pm, free.

ELECTRONICS: Inspection and Testing: Lecture by E. Bradley, Regional Inspecting Engineer. Yorkshire Electricity Board Com-Parkway, Sheffield (Info: 836 3367),

OTHER EVENTS

THE ART OF ROGNON DE LA PLECHE First day of an eccentric exhibition of dolls and paintings made by Lady Cara. Harris, who worked under the peculiar nom de plume Plognon de la Fleche—or

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"Pig & Kidney" Michael Parkin Gallery, 11 Motoombe St. London SW1, Mon-Fri 10am-6pm, Set 10em-1pm.

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CHRISTIE'S SALES: Three today. At 10.30em, carpets, decorative objects and musical less unear, at 1pm furniture at 2pm English and Continental watercolours and drawings.

Chasters, South Kersington, 55 CM Brompton Rd, London SW7 (91-581 7811).

Manue Festival event with the talamed due from West Germany. Arts Centre, University of Warwick (0203 417417), 7.45pm, 25 (students £3). HARRE AND MESC AN INSTRUCTIONAL

BOOKINGS

FIRST CHANCE

MALVERN FESTIVAL: General booking now open for Mrs Warrer's Profession with Cambridge Theatre Company; feat, of English music from Byrd to Delius and Britten; and Opens 80 workshops and performance of Carmen. Also jazz, brass, film, fringe these, mine and children's shows. May 20-June 2.

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Jan/Feb programme includes Burns
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Trio, Friends Literary Dinner with poets
including John Fuller, Blackheath
Opera, and Viva Verdit evening.
Blackheath Concert Hells., 23 Lee Rd.
London SE3 (01-463 0100).

SCHNITTICE: Celebration of six concerts in which Soviet composer is honoured by his companiots, including Rosmopovich, Moscow Solcists, Clay Kegen, Yuri Bestimet, plus works by those who influenced Schnittice. Feb/March. Pero/Marian. Details: Berbican and Wignore Hot ((r)-

LAST CHANCE

COLOUR INTO LINE: Turner and the Art of Engraving: Engraved reproduction of artist's work, plus prints and watercolours from which they were made, with Turner's own annotations and instructions to engravers. Also some prints made by Turner himself. Ends Sun.
Tale Galliny, Milbert, London SW1 (01-821 1313/7128).

Theatre: Jeremy Kingston; Films: Geoff Brown; Concerts: Max Harri-son; Opera: Hilary Finch; Rock: David Sinclair; Jazz: Chive Davis; Dance: John Percival; Galleries: David Lee; Walks and Talks: Greta Carslaw; Other Events: Judy Froshaug; Bookings: Anne Whitehouse.

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· Everyone likes a conspiracy theory and it is a fair bet that for many years yet people will be trying to establish whether President Kennedy was assassinated by OTHER EVEN the Mafia or whether the demise of Marilyn Monroe was a plot by the CIA. I doubt whether the case of Rudolf Hess will hold the same fascination and some may think that Timewatch (BBC2, 8.10pm) effectively closes the file. It is still an excellent documentary, scrupulously assembled and a model of clarity. The starting point is the proposition that the man who died in Spandau mison was not the ranting deputy of Adolf Hitler and therefore not the person who flew to Scotland in 1941 to seek a negotiated peace with Britain. This extraordinary claim comes from Hugh Thomas, a consultant surgeon who examined the Spandau Hess and failed to find evidence of the chest wound



The state of the s Christopher Andrew: examines the case of Rudolf Hess (BBC2, 8.10pm) sustained by the real Hess as a soldier in the First World War. From this he crects a theory that the flight of a bogus Hess to Scotland was part of a plot between the Jazi regime and appeasers in Britain. Thomas also contends that the death of Hess, or whoever was impersonating him in Spandau, was not suicide but murder, designed to ensure that the conspiracy was never revealed. With Christopher Andrew as guide, Timewatch puts the Thomas thesis to the test by interviewing Hess's wife and son and calling in experts to compare voices and photographs of Hess before and after 1941. The programme also digs out the medical records, kept in Bavaria, which relate to the central matter of the chest iniury.

• QED: My Best Friend's a Computer (BBC1, 9.30pm) is a lively look at the effects on children of addiction to the electronic keyboard. Whether it is the computer in the classroom or computer games at home, there appears to be cause for concern. Those who thought that computer games were a brief craze, such as Rubik's Cube, will be disabused by the example of 13-year-old Charles who Rends 30 bours a week on them. An American expert, Professor Sherry Turkle, reckons that for boys in particular the machine is replacing human Cher Less Beekings to relationships at a crucial stage. Research in this country suggests that computer dependency can continue into adulthood, affecting intelligent middle-class men who as youngsters had been denied the affection of loving parents.

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narrated by Tony Britton (r)
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presented by Paul Cola
1.30 Behing the Headlines. Beverly Anderson goes "green" in the company of Dr James Lovelock, originator of the Gais theory of life on the planet, American writer BI McKlobon and Richard North, environment correspondent of The independent 8.00 Perfectors - Sale or Suspect?

David Lonux examines ma arguments for and against the

arguments for and against the use of pesticides (r)

\$.30 Holiday 90 (r). (Ceetax)

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8,10 Timewatch: Hese — An Edge of Conspiracy (see Choice)
9,00 M*A*5*14. Part two of Goodbye Radar. Starting Alan Alda and Gery

Surginoff (r)
9.25 Oranges Are Not the Only Fruit.
Episode two of the three-part drama, and 16-year-old Jess discovers a new kind of frendship when she

meets Melane.

19.20 Building Sights. Janet Street-Porter invites the camera into her home in London's Smithfield, designed by Piers Gough (r)

19.20 Newsnight 10.30 Newsnight
11.15 The Late Show includes the jazz.

saxophonist John Zom
11.55 Weather
12.00 Behind the Headlines. See 4.30.
Ends at 12.35em

CHANNEL 4

6.00 The Channel Four Daily

12.00 The Parliament Programme presented by Sue Cameron 12.30 Business Daily introduced by Susannen Simons.

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2.00 The Carens. A profile of Joyce
Berry, a carer (r). (Oracle)
2.30 Gnoatics. The story of this ancient
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4.30 Countdown. Today's challenger is Clare Wigmore from Whiteparish, near Salisbury. The cuestionmaster is Richard Whitele

near Salisbury. The questionmaster is Richard Whiteley assisted by Bill Tidy.

The story of a young Chinese girl who dreams of running in the local schools' championships (r) s...30 Country Ways. Balcombe, Sussex, in January. (Oracle) Stomp of Grandsess. Amonin Docrat. — The Sohembe Compount. Continuing a sense of

Continuing a senes of biographies of people who have featured on other countries. postage stamps 6.30 A Different World. American

7.00 Channel Four Many with Joh Show and Zernah Bedawi 7.50 Party Political Comment from a Labour Party political, Followed by

Weather.

5.00 Brookelds. A double date for Bumper and Geoff, Joanna and Kim. (Oracle)

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research used to justify tracketion, includes an interview with the Food Minister. Cavid Michael. 8.15 Signals: The Seduction of Style. An examination of the state of the "designer" industry

10.00 Film: Repentance (1984) starring Avrandi Makharadze, iya Ninidze and Zeynab Borsvedze. After a tyraniscal mayor des and receives a state funeral, the designator of two state funeral, the daughter of two of his victims refuses to let him reet in peace. Directed by Tengis

Abusarra.
12.50am Johnny Staccato (b/w). Solomon and An Act of Tarror. A criminal lawyer asks Staccato for help and, later, he must solve a case involving a ventriloquist's dummy, Starring John Cassavetes. Ends at 1.30

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SKY NEWS

News on the hour.
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3.30 Parliament Live 4.30 Beyond 2000
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SKY MOVIES

From 2.00mm The Sate Shop 2.00pm Juvi: When a 10-year-old girl's father dies, she bagins a decline into juvenile astropusncy
3.00 Dusty: Episode 12 of the Australian

drama
4.00 A callion for Boris: A newlyrepaired relevision begins broadcasting a
day shead of time
6.00 Roses Are for the Rich (1957): Autumn (Lisa Hartman) avenges her nusbend's death nusbend's death
7.40 Enteroinment Tonight
6.00 Bod Medicine (1985). Steve
Guttenberg as an inepi trainee doctor
10.00 Invasion USA (1985); Chuck
Norts deleves the United States from a

Communiar threat
11.45 The Delta Force (1986): Chuck
Norns snd Lee Marvan Need a commando
unit out to free hostages held by
hijackers in the Middle East 2.00am Missing in Action 2: The Beginning (1984). Chuck Nomis is incarcerated in a Vietnamese PoW camp 4.00 The Butterfly Revolution (1985): A revolt in a summer camp takes on sinister overtones when a renegade counsellor takes charge. Ends at 5.30em

EUROSPORT

5.00mm World Business Report 5.30 European Business Report 5-30
European Business Channel 6-00 DJ Kat
8-30 Menu 9-00 Australian Open Tennis
11.00 Eurosport -- What a Weekl 12.00 UK
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The Detectives 4.05 Jack Thompson
Down Under 4.35 Lifestyle Plus 4.45
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News on the half-hour from
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12.30pm Newsbeat 12.45
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Love 5.05 John Dum 7.00 Folk on
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4.65 mm Westler and Nevs Headlines 7.00 Morning Concert: Dvořák (String Quartet in F, Op 96 "American": Talich Quartet)

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7.35 Morning Concert (cont):
Tchaikovsky (Polonase
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State Symphony Orchestra
under Yevgeny Svettanov);
Glazunov (Violin Concerto in
A minor: National Symphony
Orchestra of Washington
under Mattate
Rostropovich, with AmeSophie Mutter, violin);
Kodály (Suite, Háry János:
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Orchestra under Ferenc
Ericssy)

8.35 Composers of the Week:
Janaček — The Final Years
(1921-5), Incidental music to
Schluck and Jau (Slovak PO
under Libor Pesek); 8,30 News under Libor Pesek); Glagolitic Mass (Czech PO under Cherles Mackertze; Soloiste, Prague Philiramonic Chirus, with

Grower performs Haydn (Symphony No 3 in G); Miguel Bernal Jimenez (Cuarteto virreinal) (7) 16.15 John McCabe: The planist

RADIO 3

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Jan Hora, organ) \$.35 Langham Chamber Orchestra under Leo

performs Ravel (Sonatine); Richard Rodney Bennett (Noctuery "Variations on a Theme of Scott Jophn") 11.00 Midweek Choice with Susar Sharpe, Mozart (Entracts No 2 from Thamos, King of Egypt, K 345; Royal Philharmonic Orchestra under Thomas Beecham; Vorrel spiegarvi, oh Dio – Ah, conte partite, K 418: Maria Sancer, soprano.

Orchestra under Hans Esman): Chaminade (Autumn: Damelle Lavel, pieno); Prokofiev (Winter Bonfire Sulfa, Op 122: Prague Radio Symphony Orchestra and Children's Chorus under Klima); Bach (Sonata No 1 in G minor, BWV 1001; Yehudi Menuhin, violin); Scharwenta (Plano violin): Scharwerted (Hairo Concerto No 1 in B flat minor, Op 32: Boston Symphony Orchestra under Lansdorf, with Earl Wild, punol: trad (Two Transylvanian Folk Metodies: Microta Brasow Metoclestra under Dan Orchestra under Dan Moisescu, with Ghaorghe Sima, pan-pipes); Manler (Des Knaben Wundernom: London Philharmonic

Orchestra under Wyn Morns, with Janet Baker,

1.00 to News
1.00 Concert Halt Live from the BBC Concert Halt, London. Dougtas Boylo, bloe, Caroline Palmer, planto, perform Schumann (Three Romances, Op 94); Britten (Six Metamorphoses after Ovid; Temporal Vanations); Schumann (Fünt Stücke Im Volkstein Nos 2 and 4)
2.00 Record Review (r)
3.10 Vintage Years: Oistraich Trio performs Rachmarinov (Trio élégiaque in D minor, Op 9)
4.69 Choral Evensong: Live from Wells Camadral
8.00 The Folk-Song Vintuoso: Part 2. The world's Irachional musical skills are

vectorial musical skills are reviewed by A.L. Lloyd, including a selection of his own field-recordings made in Bulgaria, Yugoelavia and Albania in the Sodies (r) 5.30 Mainly for Pleasure with Richard Baker

5.45 News 7.00 Berio at the Barticaru BBC SO under Luciano Berio; RRC Singers; students of SO under Luciano Berio; BBC Singers; students of the Guternati School of Music and Drama, speaking chorus, with Luisa Catatiani, soprano, perform Passaggio, 1962, for solo atoprano, choir, speaking chorus and orchestray 7-35 Live from the Bartican Hall. A queuescon of Beriors. A CHICUISION OF BRICO'S Passaggio and the other music in the teacous is chaired by Peter Paul Nash, with Stephen Harrap and David Camond-Smith; Linda Hirst sings a selection of Berio's song arrangements; and the Mauric Ensemble under Rebert Ziegler performs two Straum;

waitzes, arranged by Schoenberg and Berg 8.36 Coro (1976, for 40 voices and orthostral 9.40 Spectrum: The fifth of six programmes, presented by Colin Tudge, Brian King and David Webb of the Mesocralogical Office discuss how the study of the weather system celled B Ninc is augmenting our understanding of the global

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10.25 Branns, Young and Old:
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Kovacevich performs
Scherzo in E. fat mmor, Op 4; Klavierstücke, Op 119 4; Kawershick, Op 119
11.20 Composers of the Wheic
Bach (Concerto for two
violens in D minor, BWV
1043; Preliude and Fugue in
E minor, BWV 548; Toccasa
In E minor, BWV 914;
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RADIO 4

S.35am Shipping Forecast 6.08
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6.19 Farming Today 6.38
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11.47 One Night at the Opera:
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of University Teachers, talk
Monty Hattrecht about her
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12.48 News; You and Yours with
John Howard

12.80 News; You and Yours with John Noward
12.25es Out of Order: Patrick Harman chairs a light-heared political quiz. With learned political quiz. With learned political quiz. With learn capasins, MPs Austin Mischell and Jusen Crischley (s) 12.55 Weather 1.00 The World at Ores
1.40 The Archer's (1) 1.55 Shapong Forecast
2.80 News; Women's Hour: Praequest by Jenni Mismey, Includes a feature on careversaling, an learn on cereverning an Nam on extrest, and a decreasion on the future of social work,

on the https of social work, with Virginia Bottomley.

3.00 News: The Invigeton: Play by Marmew Solon. When her seven-year-old son dies, Heether Bracley (Anne Heyes) has to choose between torelivess or a reconclusion wan the husband she berned for her chaffs friend (c). Child's death (s) 3.47 Time for Verse, George MacBeth interviews posit Peter Porter about his Me

4.06 News
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Monreal including an interview with the director, Dennis Arcand (s) 8.45 The Financial World Tonight 8.45 Weather 10.00 The World Tonight with Alazandar MacLand 10.45 A Book at Bedtime: Lady Chatterley's Lover, by D.H. Lawrence (13 of 15) (s) 11.70 Sweet and Low Down: Part 3: Boozers and Losers: Robert Cartemarks elscore:

Robert Cushmen's stir-pert personal view of New York cabinet and American popular song. With singers Buddy Barnes, Oscar Buddy Barnen, Oscar Brown, Jun., Claire Mogen, Mabel Mercer, Randy Newman, Asin Price and Frank Singre (s) 11.30 Today in Perlament 12.50 Today in Perlament 12.50 Today in Perlament 12.50 Today in Perlament

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(RADIO CHOICE) Peter Davalle

• Last week, it was The Tempest. Tonight (Radio 4, 8.45), it's Othello. Shakespeare at the RSC has presenter Linda Cookson doing an effective PR job on behalf of the company that owes everything to the Bard. If anyone in the series has struck a critical note so far, I have missed it. Tonight's exchange



Trever Nuon: insight into the play's subtleties (R4, 8.45pm)

director Trevor Nunn's backslapping of both his Othello (Willard White) and his Iago (lan McKellen), and for McKellen's backslapping of White. It would all have been a bit much without Nunn's insight into the play's subtextual subtleties, and McKellen's intelligent analysis of the problems the play's language poses for actors.

• In the final instalment of James Hamilton-Paterson's Geroutius (Radio 4, LW. 11.00am), a jaded Elgar finds an old flame, and new inspiration, 1,000 miles up the Amazon. I have much enjoyed this highly romanticized theorising about the reasons why the composer devoted much of his final decade to conducting and recording. And who knows: it is just possible Hamilton-Paterson might

have stumbled on something

like the truth.

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A Greenpeace protester being arrested on a Central Electricity Generating Board chip, after trying to prevent it from damping 500 touries of ash into the North Sen (David Sepeted writes). The protester was one of three men and three women from the Greenpeace ship Sirius, which arrived in Newcastle upon Tyne on Monday at the start of a two-month campaign to oppose dumping. All six were arrested by members of the Northumbria

The top military commanders gates, said before the seminar: from Eastern Europe served "Czechoslovakia will go its

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ent to Moscow's military

strategy, became evident at

the opening of a unique East-

from Nato, the Warsaw Pact,

and non-aligned European

countries gathered at the Hofburg Palace in the Aus-

trian capital to talk about

Very quickly the occasion

developed into a platform for

East European military chiefs

to best their own national

tary chiefs from Czecho-

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Germany talked only of nat-

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Major-General Jiri Jindra,

While Nato representatives

differing military doctrines.

The chiefs of defence staff

West seminer in Vienna.

would go their own way.

Eastern Europe loosens

Moscow's military grip

own way." Major-General Anton Slimak, chief of the Czechoslovak general staff, will outline his Government's

new independent military

doctrine in a speech to the

He is expected to empha-

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This was also the message

from other East European

delegates, although the

Hungarians underlined their

belief that the Warsaw Pact

and Nato alliances "would be

Lieutenant-General Man-fred Gratz, chief of stuff of the

East German Army, said after

yesterday's opening session

Soviet military doctrine. A

national military doctrine was

being developed and would be published after agreements by

the East German Parliament,

seminar today.

the Warsaw Pact.

police's marine division after boarding the ship, the MVA, two calles off Blytia.

the ship, forcing it to veer away from the dump site. After the arrests, which occurred when the six attempted to chain themselves to equipment, the dumping of the Blyth Power Station fly ash went ahead. The electricity board says the ash

dence within the Warsaw Pact

was not lost on the Soviet

delegate at the seminar, Gen-

eral Mikhail Moiseyev, the

chief of the general staff, appointed by President Gor-

bachov over the heads of his

The Soviet general made a

point of telling the seminar yesterday how important it

was that the Warsaw Pact

countries had reaffirmed their

commitments within the alli-

Confirmation that the War-

saw Pact was not about to

break up was also given by Sir

David Craig, Marshal of the Royal Air Force and chief of

the defence staff, who said at a

press conference last night

that it was wrong to talk of a break-up of the Warsaw Pact.

The new thinking expressed

by the East European coun-

tries was underlined by Colo-

chief of the Bulgarian general

staff and first deputy minister

He told the seminar that his

WORD-WATCHING

A daily safari through the language jungle. Which of the possible definitions is correct? By Pallip Howard

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The protesters appeared at a special hearing of Ashingto Magistrates' Court, Northumbria, last night, charged with boarding the ship without the master's permission and

Removing planning blight

New compensation deal

By Robin Onkley, Political Editor

to improve compensation arrangements for people whose properties lose value as a result of road and rail developments. They want to offer a better deal and speed up the planning process. In future owners whose

properties become the subject of a compulsory purchase order are likely to get something nearer the commercial value of their homes rather than the local valuation officer's estimate. No precise figures have been settled but MPs think it could mean as much as 20 per cent better compensation.

The Government has embarked on a £5.7 billion road programme over the next three years, and much of the £6 billion rail programme will be spent on new railways and underground lines. Ministers, aware of the problems facing householders in affected areas. want legislation to go through the Commons in time to have an effect before the next election.

Mr Cecil Parkinson, the Mr Patter: Considering the Secretary of State for Trans-

Ministers are looking at ways port, has told MPs that he is Secretary of State for the not satisfied with the present Environment, was considarrangements to compensate those who lose out as a result of the announcement of a preferred route and yesterday Mrs Thatcher held out the prospect of new legislation

When Mr James Arbuthnot, Conservative MP for Wanstead and Woodford, said that the present compensation system on road and rail developments left something to be desired Mrs Thatcher replied

question of compensation.

ering whether more compensation needed to be given. "But that would mean legislation in a new Bill. There would perhaps be time, if he came to that conclusion, in the

Mr Arbuthnot had suggested that if people were compensated more effectively - as in France - delays in the building of badly-needed roads and railways could be cut and in the long term a great deal of money saved. Although the Treasury is

believed to be nervous about the cost of any new compensation arrangements, other ministers are understood to be arguing that they can be offset the savings achieved by

bringing roads into use carlier. Whitehall sources confirmed last night that a planning bill is likely in the next session the Environment sent out a consultation paper on compensation arrangements to local authorities and interested parties last March; the replies are being studied in Whitehall.

Political sketch

Scratching a living at Employment

Your sketchwriter keeps a ditions" there. Mr Bright represents Luton (South) ments for use on an uneventful parliamentary day.

Yesterday, I reached for the drawer. This might be the time to quote the pressrelease handed out by the Ministry of Agriculture, before Christmas. The headline: MINISTER OPENS EGG PLANT".

Or maybe, I wondered, readers might like to see a recent Written Question, put down by Ken Livingstone, to ask the Defence Secretary:

"If he will take steps to ascertain from Major General McGhie the precise contents of the statement referred to in the Adjournment Debate on 29 November 1989?"

"No. Major General McGhie died in 1985."

There was more in my desk. But before searching, it seemed right to watch Michael Howard, the new Employ-ment Secretary, at the Dispatch Box for his first

time as a Cabinet Minister. The Chamber was thinly attended. As a smallholding, the Employment Department now provides a living for only two junior ministers (Tim Eggar and Patrick Nichols) and they looked dis-consolate, for nothing much now grows on their patch except for a few weedy quangos. Even the Questions on the Order Paper looked perfunctory - "Training and Enterprise Councils", and How many unemployed were there in Canada?

It struck me that just as condemned buildings and disused land is provided on a temporary basis for young soldiers to train in and experience simulated battlefield conditions, so might whole Government Departments, out of vogue and destined to be wound up, be given over for ambitious young Secretaries of State to practice on. Here, where it didn't really matter, Michael Howard could play at being a real Cabinet Minister.

Graham Bright had asked about tourism. Normally a mild chap, Mr Bright launched an unexpectedly violent assault on Garwick and Heathrow: travellers should avoid the cattle-like con-

Dennis Skinner comp lained that "invisible carn ings" from tourism were down. The refreshingly brutish Mr Nichols replied that

the only thing that was invisible was Skinner's grasp of international finance. Sir John Stokes (C, Hales owen and Stourbridge and Greatest Living English man") had a view. "While we should welcome tourism to this country" he among tourism is in fact destroying large parts of the world. We

Sir John retires at the new election. Suddenly, it became clear what he should do next. Sir John should be set up as a tourist attraction in his Coachloads of holidaymakes could drive around him, to inspect his braces and maryel at how high a man can wear

had better safeguard, he ich our own "English heritage."

The more serious sort of visitor could spend a day just visiting Sir John's brain; for monarchist theme park. And American students - for the fee of \$5 - could ask him set questions ("What is your view of the role of Empire, Sir-John? "Could you explain the relevance of the trouser turn-up in the latter part of the twentieth century?") just to hear for themselves those fruity tones and more

low-key. He will be haid to tease and we are blocked from mimicking him by the near impossibility of reproducing in written form the common than the common than the common than the mineral form extraordinary way this min-ister pronounces certain occprences of the letter I. Instead of swallowing the last syllable of words like 'able', 'nessible' or 'beautiful' (as others do) Mr Howard's tougue lin almost lasciviously over the final I ending at last with a little flourish. "I am not abile" he might say "to publish the fulle and finale table. My Honourable

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"They don't like the goo news from Teesside" should Richard Holt (C. Lan baurgh) to Howard. Holi is himself from Teesside Per-haps Mr Holt is the good news? Crikey! What could be bad news be?

Matthew Parti

Pay rises may be 'staged'

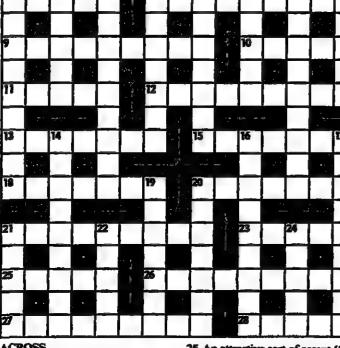
ment "observed" the de-cisions of pay review bodies for people "who did not go on strike".

Whitehall last night that "observing" the reports did not mean that they would not be staged - that is their implementation could be held up for some months in some

cases, effectively scaling down

When Mr Kinnock charged that she had two mounts one for top people also rest below the rate of in Mrs Thatcher retortes that did not understand what an incomes policy was.

THE TIMES CROSSWORD PUZZLE NO 18,193



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 4 God-fearing artist initially holds bill to be extortionate (9).
- 9 Pest has rubbish rejected by teacher (9). 10 Tree appearing in role of writer?
- 11 Award to wit in sweep (5). 12 Madcap writer introduced by
- 13 Girl surrounded by soldiers, one with a cigar (7).
- 15 One may be caught on this, though given new cover (7). 18 One hundred paces recklessly
- 20 Charms a stubborn fellow on the 21 Manipulator of injured toes? No
- 23 Strike! It may make an im-

Solution to Puzzle No 18,192

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- 25 An attractive sort of accent (5). 26 He should recover without treat-
- 27 It recalled a river in the mountains down under (9). Dress material, note, worn by university students (5). DOWN
- 1 Its perfume made large sum for French state (3-6).
- 2 Beetle I see sounds of a simple order (5). 3 Blunder badly in Antigua, not
- opposing this fighter (9). 4 Liqueur from afar - it befuddled 20 dn at first (7).
- 5 Where cows ere milked and ice cream eaten? (7).
- 6 Teacher proceeding on the right lines, we hope (5).
- 7 Unity holding soft drink you fi-nally appropriate (9).
- 8 Cheery little boy's familiar form of address, say? (5). 14 Soldiers in Georgia jeer at the old lady (5-4).
- 16 Pointless to include new pier in the plan (9).
- 17 Cashier's pay (9). 19 Surprisingly, traders are featured
- 20 Loyal friend giving a talk on French art (7).
- 21 Asian port (under the old style,
- also known as Naniwa) (5). 22 Having an advantage over a person riding (3-2).
- 24 Boy about five producing literary work (5).

Concise crossword, page 18

have a stormy start, with gales in exposed areas later and the chance of hail and thunder in the North-west. South-east Scotland will have sunshine and showers after early rain. Much of England and Wales will be bright, with showers most likely in the West. Strong winds will make it feel more chilly. Outlook: bright and showery. Rain becoming more widespread later. ABROAD

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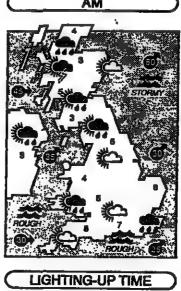
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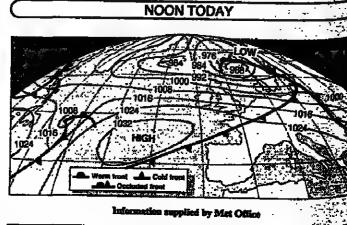


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STOCK MARKET

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157.19 (+0.28) Market report, page 26

Inquiry call at B Land

SG Warburg, adviser to Brit-ish Land, has called for a Stock Exchange inquiry into the sharp rise in Land shares. They spurted 37p after a report on the breakfast TV programme Business Daily had suggested that a bid was likely. They closed 17p up at 405p, against the market, valuing the company at £911

Eurotherm up

Eurotherm has reported an 11 per cent rise in pre-tax profits to £17.6 million for the year to October Earnings per share were 12 per cent up at 26.4p. The final rises 18 per cent to 4.55p, leaving the total 1p up

Empire loss

Empire Stores, the Bradfordbased mail order group, plunged £1,73 million into the red in the half year to November 11. There is no interim dividend. Mr Martin Mays-Smith, takes over as chairman in September on the retire-ment of Mr John Gratwick. Tempes, page 22

STOCK MARKETS

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Citicorp and County make 219 redundant

The City suffered one of its blackest days yesterday as two senior securities houses announced 219 redundancies in an effort to cut heavy losses

Citicorp is closing almost all of Citicorp Scrimgeour Vickers, its British stockbrokers, with the loss of up to 140 jobs and at a cost of \$68 million (£41 million). In a seperate announcement, County NatWest, the securities arm of National Westminster Bank, said it was cutting 79 jobs as part of a

Citicorp will now concentrate on quarter figures, showing a loss of

products. It will maintain limited market-making and research in a handful of British companies which it considers to be growth stocks.

In all, 215 jobs will cease to exist, although 75 people will be offered other places in the banking group. The restructured company will only have 105 employees. The institutional equities business will be called Citicorp, dropping the name Scringeour Vickers.

Citicorp, the parent US banking group, coupled the announcement

provision against Third World debts, and the \$68 million write-off on the restructuring of Scrimgeour Vickers. This compares with net profits of \$747 million in the last quarter of 1988.

The decision marks a tragic end to one of the most ambitious expansion programmes in the City before Big Bang. Citicorp are thought to have paid more than £100 million to buy Scrimgeour Kemp-Gee, and Vickers da Costa. The business, however, failed to cover its high costs.

County has lost 22 market-

12 analysis and corporate finance assistants in an effort to bring its British securities operation into profit. This leaves 575 employees in the UK securities operation.

The redundancies are the first stage in a rationalization plan masterminded by Mr Tim Ferguson, appointed as chief executive in August.

The moves include the closure of the firm's settlement operation in Edinburgh, with the loss of 38 jobs. County's Scottish office, which was part of Wood Mackenzie which it acquired for an estimated £30 million in 1987 is being down-

traded options market-makers and graded from an integrated office to a business centre.

"This is very much a positive move," said Mr Ferguson. "We are very keen to create a good profitable equity business. For that we

have to make money in London." The 79 losing their jobs earned up to £35,000 and will get between three and six months severance

This is the third successive year that County has announced job losses in mid-January. There was ill-feeling on the

County market-making floor from dealers who felt that the original

more recent arrivals from Wood Mackenzie, and Morgan Grenfell and Chase. Less than five of County's original market-making

team are still with the firm. "You always get the feeling that they are the blue-eyed boys," said one senior market-maker who was part of Bisgood Bishop, the jobbing firm which National Westminster bought before Big Bang.

Mr Ferguson denied there was any friction in the bank.

He added: "As far as I am concerned, we are one firm. The difference between allegiances has

Ridley concerned over buying power and effect on out-of-town stores

Kingfisher bid for Dixons goes to MMC

By Gillian Bowditch

Kingfisher's £568 million bid for Dixons Group has been referred to the Monopolies Commission, Mr Nicholas Ridley, Trade Secretary said yesterday. The referral is in accordance

with the recommendation made by the Director General of Fair Trading and it appears that any plea bargaining King-fisher may have done in an attempt to allay the Office of Fair Trading's fears has been unsucessful.Mr Ridley said there were possible effects on competition in the British market for electrical goods which deserve investigation by the commission.

He is believed to be concerned with a number of ssues; including the effect the combined group might have on the out-of-town electrical market. The Commission has een asked to report by April

Together Dixons, which owns Currys and Wigfalls, and Kingfisher, which owns Comet and Laskys, would have just under 25 per cent of the electrical market, including the rental market. The combined group would be four times the size of its nearest competitors, Rumbelows and the Electricity Board

For some products, the

Wall Street fought to remain

caim in the wake of Tuesday's

666.41 point slump in Tokyo.

Nikkei index over the last two

Stocks with a large exposure

hit in the morning and at one stage the FT-SE 100 index was

down nearly 37-points, wiping

almost £8 billion from shares.

mance by the Dow Jones

industrial average in New

York enabled share prices in

London to close above their

worst with the index ending

The narrower FT Index of

17.1 lower at 2,349.1.

But a re-assuring perfor-

trading days.

Shares were marked down

sharply in London yesterday a technical rally wit as dealers reacted to a fall of the past two days more than 1,300 points in the a few cheap buyers.

to the US economy were worst Market reports.

combined market share of between 30 per cent and 40 per cent, notably radio cassettes, microwave ovens, personal stereos, dishwashers and stackhi-fi systems.

In the out-of-town market, the combined group would have a market share of 70-80 per cent. Out-of-town stores account for about 15 per cent of electrical product sales but this is expected to be the fastest-growing area of the business. In addition, out-oftown retailing is a difficult market for retailers to break into without established

The combined group's buying power is another area the Monopolies Commission is expected to investigate. There is some concern that the combined group's buying power would allow it to gain substantial discounts from manufacturers but the lack of to pass discounts on to the

Mr Stanley Kalms, chairman of Dixons, yesterday made the last of five internal radio programmes for his staff, in which he thanked them for their efforts. Dixons

shares fell 8p to 128p on news

Markets remain calm

in wake of Tokyo fall

By Stephen Leather and Michael Clark in London and Joe Joseph in Tokyo

Stock markets in London and down at 1,875.7 though turn- and fears of inflation and

over remained low with just

Last night traders said they

expected share prices to stage a technical rally with the falls

of the past two days tempting

One leading broker com-mented: "I still don't trust this

market, I think Wall Street has

further to fall and any sharp

correction over there will drag

Part of the blame for the

lacklustre London market is

being heaped on the euphoria

over Eastern Europe that

helped drive world stock mar-

kets to record highs in the first

us lower as well".

days of the new year.

480 million shares traded.

retail group would have a satisfied that justice has been done at this stage. We were winning the battle in any case but a pause is sometimes quite useful. Kingfisher was having a rough time this time around. if they come back they will be facing a more resilient and better prepared group."

He said business would carry on as normal. "I've had balf an hour off but I'm not pausing. I will carry on running my business aggressively," he said.

fisher's corporate affairs direc-

Mr Nigel Whittaker, King-

tor, said: "Naturally the referral is disappointing, but we have to be forward-looking about these things. We have a strong case and we will be putting it aggressively to the Monopolies Commission." He said it is hypothetical

whether Kingfisher renews its bid for Dixons if it obtains clearance. "Dixons is an option for us not a neccessity. competition would mean it Each of our businesses is would not be under pressure growing and if attractive opportunities for acquisition come up, we look at them but we do not have to make a

Mr Whittaker refused to comment on any plea bargain-ing the group had done but analysts believe it may have offered to sell some out-of-Mr Kaims said: "We're Currys and Comet overlap.

interest rate rises are returning

As the London trading ses-

sion drew to a close, the Dow

Jones industrial average was off 6.62 at 2662.75, having

been down as much as 20

However, one market com-

mentator said that Wall Street

still appears "precarious," with the main fears being

weakness in the Japanese and

Tnesday's plunge in Tokyo took the Nikkei to 36,850.36,

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US bond markets.



Fighting talk: Stanley Kalms talking on Dixons' internal radio network yesterday thanking his staff for their help in the battle

New TVS pay rise row as profits lag

By Martin Waller

Mr James Gatward, chief executive of TVS Entertainment, was again defending his salary increase to £250,000 from January 1 as the ITV contractor's 12-month figures to end-October showed pretax profits almost halved from £26.1 million to £13.7 million.

The group is moving its financial year end to December and will consider the final dividend in its April report. Mr Gatward revealed that even after the departures of Mr Arthur Price and Mr

Tom Palmieri, two of the original vendors, there were still four senior executives at MTM, the US production company, earning more than him. Mr Price was on a base salary of \$800,000 plus bonus. before he left under the terms of the settlement with TVS late last year. A new chief executive is being sought for MTM and is likely to command \$1 million (£605,000) a year plus benefits.

● Les Angeles (Reuter) — Mr Frank Wells, president and chief operating officer of Walt Disney, was Disney's top carner in 1989 with a total increment of \$50.9 million.

sickly yen, crumbling bond prices, firmer oil values and Mr Wells's total increment political uncertainties at home for the year ended September and abroad again triggered the 30 included a salary of \$400,000, cash bonuses of more than \$4.41 million, and The Nikkei's drop was the stock options of \$46.1 million.

top 30 shares finished 21.2 This has now evaporated sixth worst on record. Bundesbank president challenges Thatcher's position

Pöhl call for independent central bank

By Colin Narbrough Economics Correspondent

A single central banking system for the European Community must be independent of political interference from national governments and EC institutions and have a monopoly on monetary policy, Herr Karl Otto Pohl, president of the Bundesbank, West Germany's in-dependent central bank, said last night.

His views, in a forceful lecture in Paris on European economic and monetary union (EMU), challenge Mrs Thatcher's position that central banks, including the Bank of England, have to be accountable to national parliaments. Herr Pohl, the most influential central

banker in Europe, said a future European central banking system (ECBS) must have a monopoly on creating money, or otherwise be a "tiger without teeth." It should also control decisions on interest rates, liquidity, money stock, the

buying and selling of non-BC currencies, the transfer of foreign exchange reserves and how the ECBS profits are shared out. National central banks would handle executive functions like the settlement of payments, open market operations with the banks and government business. Herr Pöhl, who would prefer a slower

and more cautious approach to EMU than most EC political leaders, said the

ECBS would be the most important issue

facing the planned inter-governmental conference this year.

He expects it to become clear whether steps towards this goal are possible during the first stage of progress towards EMU, when he believes it will emerge whether government, managements and labour across Europe are willing to act "responsibly" in realistically-assessed

economic conditions. While acknowledging that institutional steps towards monetary integration will require an amendment to the EC treaty, he urged better use of existing instruments to achieve greater convergence on economic policy with permanent results. Even without amending the treaty, the EC has already an adequate institutional framework for establishing a convincing common economic and monetary pol-

 Mr Robin Leigh-Pemberton, Governor of the Bank of England, yesterday reaffirmed Britain's commitment to taking the pound fully into the EMS but gave a warning against "premature entry." He told the West German Savings Banks Association that Britain first had to resolve its domestic economic problems, but he is convinced that, when circumstances are right, it would bring benefits.

GrandMet in French deal

in Remy Martin and Cointreau, two French drinks businesses which are set to merge in the next few months.

A spokesman for the British company said it was still at "an early stage of negotia-tions," but the deal is agreed with the vendor, the Max Cointrean family, which owns 49 per cent of Remy, the brandy producer, and 19 per cent of Cointreau and which

agreed to buy strategic stakes that some of the shares being with bought by International Distillers and Vintners, the GrandMet subsidiary, will be sold back to the merged company. Net cost to Grand-Met, therefore, is to be less than £150 million and the company is likely to be left with between 15 and 25 per cent, an acceptable level to the

IDV will not be involved in cent of Cointreau and which the day-to-day running of the had decided to sell out after a company. But the deal brings

Grand Metropolitan has family row. It is also planned with it a rare chance to link up tigious drinks businesses in the world. GrandMet already has a European distribution deal with Cointreau, while Remy owns Piper-Heidsieck and Krug champagnes.

GrandMet's premier brands are J&B Whisky and Smirnoff Vodka. Its only brandy is the Greek Metaxa, and several years ago it lost out to Seagram in an attempt to buy

Step forward, page 23

Record profits for the Leeds

Record pre-tax profits are announced by Leeds Permanent Building Society. During the financial year ended 30th September 1989, the Society increased its share of the building societies' mortgage market to 9.3%, more than doubling the previous year's figure.

- Record pre-tax profits £138.5m (1988 £122.6m) an increase of 13.0%
- Record post-tax profits 087.2m (1988: £78.9m) an increase of 10.5%
- General reserve increased to £515.4m (1988: £413.1m) an increase of 24.8%

Assets total £12,920.6m

- (1988: £10,219.4m) an increase of 36.4% ■ Liquid assets amount to €2,101.8m (1988: £1,689.0m) being 16.3%
- (1988: 16.5%) of total assets ■ Record amount advanced ©3,345.8m (1988: £2,559.4m) an increase of 30.7%
- Share of building society mortgage market 9.3% (1988 4.7%)
- Increase in retail funds £1,273.2m (1988: £1,138.6m)

"The fact that we were able to achieve record profits in such adverse conditions is proof that our business strategy is exactly right.' J M BLACKBURN, Director and Chief Executive.

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TVS finds more bad news in MTM CRH pays £50m for

TEMPUS

Entertainment and its ebul- South itself is moving along hent chief executive, Mr nicely, with advertising rev-James Gatward, is that his enue up 9.5 per cent, above troubles at MTM stemmed the industry average, operatfrom an abrupt collapse in the ing profits up 16 per cent to US domestic syndication £28.4 million and the benefits,

industry, however, suggest operation with LWT. MTM might have been making the wrong type of pro-gramme entirely. The US any improvement this year is company was certainly pump-likely to be matched by a ing out one-hour straight similar increase in the exspend £5 million on a feature sky-high multiple of almost Whoopi Goldberg?

include a full year of MTM, a joint venture partner is damage done by the deal, avoided until then. They find the share price, safely above 300p at the time Empire Stores of the deal, bumping along the bottom and down another 3p The half-timer from Empire yesterday at 159p.

million exceptional expense from its voluntary redun-dancy programme, collapsed to £13.7 million against £26.1 million in the 12 months to end-October. The company is shifting its year end to December 31, so a final dividend will be considered with the 14month figures in April.

At the operating level, MTM lost £7.3 million, against £2.8 million profits last time. To this must be added nearly \$10 million (£6 million) in interest payments. Good news for the bombed-

yet to come, from cost-cutting Dissenting voices in the and the new joint airtime sales

The bad news is that MTM drama programmes when the chequer levy payable by TVS. market was favouring half- Pre-tax profits are likely to be hour comedy shows. And how about £16 million in calendar else to explain the decision to 1990, leaving the shares on a film vehicle for the accident- 16, while Mr Gatward may prone American actress decide to bite the bullet and cut the dividend. No real TVS's figures, the first to upturn at MTM is likely until show the full extent of the found for the company. Best

stores, the smallest of the big Pre-tax profits, after a £3.2 five mail order houses, was grim - serious enough to raise questions over the future of the Bradford-based group.

In a grisly year for mail order, when high interest rates hit the spending power of home-owners and raised Empire's cost of financing their purchases, the group appeared to do well in pushing sales ahead 3 per cent. The industry managed a half per cent fall.

Last year's operating profit was transformed into a £679,000 loss after £2.4 million of provisions for doubtful debts and £300,000 of redun-



dancies. The bad debt provision, a severe blow for a company the size of Empire, raises deep issues about credit screening that are troubling the industry as a whole.

Another factor behind the poor operating profit was the decreasing returns the mail order houses are reporting from each of their expensively recruited agents. Empire raised its agent base 11 per cent yet reported an 8 per cent drop in sales per customer. If this trend persists, it raises renewed doubts about the viability of the traditional catalogue mail order industry with its downmarket image when plastic methods of credit

Before an exceptional credit of £1.4 million from the disposal of the group's debt

Marians to

£1.73 million,

Gearing meanwhile has soured from 35 per cent to 65 per cent on a near-doubling of bank borrowings. And even though Empire reports its second-half sales above budget, that produces a Catch 22 problem. The push for sales growth means faster growth in borrowings to finance the new business and yet higher gearing and interest charges.

Analysts expect no more than breakeven in the full year and the missed interim dividend means that the shares, down 2p to 113p, have no income support.

The shares depend heavily on the 50 per cent stake held

collection business, the half-time loss was £3.1 million. At and the obvious bid possibilthe pre-tax line the loss was ities that may arise. Without a bid, the future for the weakest and smallest company in a troubled industry looks bleak. On fundamentals, the shares

Eurotherm

Eurotherm feels it is unloved. It sees itself as the only significant UK producer of process control equipment, a vital contributor to the productivity miracle that underlay Britain's improved economic performance in the eighties. Abroad it rubs shouloutset of its stock market ders with Siemens in this field, yet at home its achievements

Set up in a back street in Worthing a quarter of a cen-

career. That makes them cheap by any standard, even if the yield is an unfashionably modest 3 per cent. Matthew Clark

controllers, Eurotherm came

to the market in 1978. It was the first offer for sale for years

and the issue, at the equiva-

lent of 33p, was 83 times oversubscribed. This guar-

anteed plenty of attention and

enthusiastic press coverage

sent its shares shooting ahead.

Unfortunately, the rating was then far too high to cope with the minor fluctuations

that were inevitable during the

recession even for sound com-

panies such as Eurotherm. Its

founder managers decided to

shun the limelight to avoid

unreasonable criticism and

Eurotherm's virtues gradually

Its latest figures, showing

profits up only 11 per cent at

£17.6 million and earnings

just 13 per cent higher at 26.4p

in the 12 months to October,

were slightly lower than an-

alysts had been expecting.

However, Eurotherm's great

strength is its consistent

underlying growth. Since flo-

tation, earnings have risen by

more than 20 per cent a year,

with the help of only one rights issue and a sprinkling of

small paper-funded acquisitions.

books running 30 per cent higher than last year, analysts

anticipate profits of £21 mil-

lion and earnings of 301/2p.

That would leave the shares at

311p on a prospective p/e

ratio of 10, the same as at the

With Eurotherm's order

became obscured.

By Philip Pangalos

under £3m

Matthew Clark and Sou (Holdings), the wines and pirits distributor which lost the Martell and Irish Whiskey distribution rights, said fullyear profits may not match last year's record. Pe-tax profits dipped to £2.99 million in the six

mouths to end-October, from £3.29 million, while turnover, excluding duty, tumbled from £38.8 million to £22.2 million following loss of the licences. Earnings per share fall from 15.3p to 12.7p. But the interim goes up from 5.5p to 5.75p. Mr Francis Gordon Clark, the chairman, said all companies had strong sales in November and December but sales since

The Domecq agency, which was recently acquired, should help growth, and Mr Clark year "commendably well."

RECENT ISSUES

Coalite Building

BUSINESS ROUNDUP

CRH, the international building materials group based in Dublin, is making its largest-ever acquisition in Britain with the £50 million purchase of Coalite Building Supplies from Anglo United. Payment will be in cash. Coalite Building Supplies (CBS) is the tenth largest builders' merchant in Britain with 36 branches — the bulk of which are in Yorkshire, Humberside, the Midlands and East Anglia.

CRH already owns Keyline Builders Merchants with 54 branches in Scotland, the South of England, South Wales and Yorkshire. Combined turnover of the two businesses is estimated at £250 million. In the year ended March, CRS recorded trading profits of \$5.8 million on sales of \$77. million. Net assets at March 31 were £26.7 million. Mr Tany Barry, CRH's chief executive, said he was confident of the median- and long-term prospects for the country industry and builders' merchanting.

Cantors rises to £952,000

Cantors, the furnishing retelles, saw pre-tax profits edge from £926,000 to £952,000 in the 26 weeks to October 28, on £22.6 million (£19.5 million) turnover. Earnings per share are 4.53p (4.38p) and the interim dividend stays at 1.0p. Mr Harold Canter, the chair-man, said that because of mic uncertainties, he hoped full-year profits would equal last year's.

Hampson ahead 39%

Hampson Industries, the acquisitive West Bromwich industrial group, increased pre-tax profits by 39 per co to £3.27 million in the six months to end-Septem on turnover up 20.8 per con to £33.5 million. Undiluted earnings per share rise by 18.5 per cent to 3.52p and the interior dividend is imprese to 0.6p, against 0.458p. The were unchan

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Palmerston tops £1 m

Palmerston Holdings reported a 46 per cent increase in rental income, as Mr Colin Gershinson, chief executive, continues to reduce the company's dependence on property dealing profits. But the switch from dealing to investment is having its impact on profits. In the six months to September 30, pre-tax profits. were only 4 per cent up at £1.6 million.

were only 4 per cent up at £1.6 million.

Rental income was £3.3 million, slightly below the company's £3.7 million of interest costs. An interim dividend of 3,025p (2.75p) is being paid. Palmerston Holdings was created two years ago by the merger of Reliable Properties and Palmerston Investment Trust, controlled by the Berger family. Plans for the Bergers to reduce their 55 per cent strike in the new operators have been next and in the new company have been postpened.

Osprey soars to £670,000

Osprey Communications, the acquisitive advertising and marketing services group, more than doubled pre-tax profits from £322,000 to £670,000 is the six paouths to end-November, on terriover up from £7.98 million to £13.9 million. Earnings per share climb from 3.28p to 4.12p and the Interim dividual is raised from 1,28p to 1,35p. The shares firmed by 2p to

to £2.18m Pre-tax profits at Jurys Hotel Group, the Irish luxury

Jurys jumps:

hotel operator, jumped 41 per cent to Ir£2.33 million (£2.18 million) in the six months to end-October, on turnover up from Ir£9.84 million to Ir£11.5 million Earnings per share rise from ir7.08p to Ir10.27p and the Interim dividend is 122 (Ir1.6p). Interest payment increased from 1r063,000 a 1r2313,000. The shares rose 5p to 195p on the news.

Monarch mining deal

Monarch Resources, the London-quoted exploration com-pany mining for gold in Venezuela, has entered into joint ven-ture agreements in Venezuela, effectively doubling its concession areas. It will hold a 65 per cent stake to a company formed to develop concessions in the Bochinche area, with CVG, the state-owned group taking the other 35 per cent.

Monarch says it expects to benefit from an imminent reduction in the national rate of tax which is acheduled to full-

from 60 per cent to 35 per cent and from the possible exoneration of tax for the mining sector. SG Warburg Samulities has been appointed official broker to the company, and will start making a market in the shares from January 22. Monarch was traded 25p higher at 570p yesterday.

Syndicates 'face fall in numbers'

By Neil Bennett

Sturge Holdings, the largest tax profits jumped by 81 per managing agent of Lloyd's cent to £31.2 million for the insurance, predicts that the number of underwriting syndicates will fall by threequarters to 100 by the end of payout by half to 15p. he decade while the number of managing agents will slump to as few as 100.

Mr David Coleridge, the chairman, said that Lloyd's is in Lloyd's history. Profit compoised to develop a small number of multi-purpose syndicates, each with at least £100 million underwriting capacity. Sturge is aiready seeking to merge its 27 syndicates.

Mr Coleridge also predicted Lloyd's agents, and said that Sturge was in advanced negotiations to buy one to add to its existing network. "Many agents are looking for a home," he said. "They feel they do not have the strength

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year to end-September, £1.2 multion above forecast. The final dividend of 10p lifts the

Most of the increase however came from the share of profits made by its syndicates in 1986, one of the best years mission increased 161 per cent to £25.9 million.

Fee income in 1989 by contrast, which Sturge takes from the names it manages only rose 4 per cent to £12.8 million, while the number of a series of mergers among names the company manages fell 7 per cent to 2,454.

Mr Coleridge suggested that at best profits would increase slightly this year. More positively, he said, Wise Speke, the company's stockbroker, returned to profits of £100,000 ALPHA STOCKS

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sell 28% in Marina The board of Priest Marians,

the West End property group, has given an irrevocable undertaking to accept an offer worth 525p a share for its 28 per cent stake in Marina Developments, the leisure The undertaking has been

given to companies owned by Mr Keith Partridge and Mr Alan Timpany. These com-panies are thought to be linked to Partchester Holdings, a property development group owned by the two men.

In an announcement to the Stock Exchange, Partchester said it was holding talks with the board of Marina "with a view to making a recommended offer for the share capital of the company". Marina shares closed 77p up on the day at 485p, valuing the group at £81 million.

Tewson ahead Pre-tax profits at Debenham

Tewson & Chinnocks, the commercial property agent, jumped 19 per cent in the halfyear to end-October to £4.1 million, bucking the recent trend of disappointing results from the quoted commercial agents. Turnover rose 42 per cent to £20.2 million and the interim dividend lifts to 2.4p (2.0p) per share.

Widney's £2m

Widney, the loss-making electronic components firm, plans a £2 million cash injection and a shake-up of top management. An investor consortium, including Hill Samuel Bank, will subscribe for 15 million new shares at 100 to raise £1.5 million, and a further £700,000 will be raised by an open offer for 7 million new shares.

Losses cut

Crossroads Oil, the British independent oil company, has reported a loss of £93,207 (-£150,632) and for the sixmonths to September 30 last year. Turnover was £509,127 and the loss per share was 0.31p (-0.52p).

Steel speech

Sir Robert Scholey, chairman of British Steel, in a speech in Singapore, has called for an end to state aids for steel makers in all countries so that a genuine open market environment can prevail.



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Redland in £46m French purchases

Redland, the roof tile and aggregates producer, is qua-drupling the size of its French quarry operations with the purchase of two separate companies, SCE and SLAM, for a total of £46 million. The acquisitions are being

funded by locally raised borrowings at low interest rates. Redland believes it will cover its financing costs in the first year. SCE produces 3.5 million

tonnes of aggregates annually from three rail-connected hard rock quarries and three sand and gravel pits in central France, while SLAM distributes 1.5 million tonnes of aggregates from six railway stations in the Paris area. "We intend to duplicate our

rail-served network in the UK by railing in aggregates to expanding fast because of the priorities.

size of the roads programme" Mr Gerald Corbett, Redland's finance director said. The price includes two con-

crete block plants and surplus land in Paris valued at £8 million. Allowing for this, Mr Corbett reckons that Redland is paying 13 times earnings given the two companies combined operating profits are estimated to have been £4 million in 1989.

After the deal, Redland's French output of 6.5 million tonnes will amount to only a tenth of the group total, which is mainly concentrated in the US, Britain and the Middle However, Mr Corbett said

the move was important as it gave Redland critical mass in France and the expansion of its European agrregates busi-

Chelsea Man sets record at £2.1m

By Melinda Wittstock

Chelsea Man, the USM-quoted menswear group that last year became a nationwide chain of 133 profitable Nickleby, Company and Copyright shops with the purchase of two loss-making retailers, lifted high street gloom by reporting record results.

Pre-tax profits for the 14 months to June 3 rose 40 per cent on the year to £2.1 million. Earnings per share soared 94.5 per cent to 17.9p. But the final dividend is

unchanged at 2.1p, with the total for the year maintained

Chelsea Man acquired Vivat Holdings' 118 lossmaking shops in November, 1988, and has since turned 91 of them into profit-making Nickleby, new-look Copyright and Company stores at a cost of £3.2 million.

Mr Sam George, the compa-ny's founder and chairman, said that despite the depressed



state of the retail market, Chelses Man is expecting improved trading in the cur-Although it paid £509,000

in interest on its £13.2 million borrowings to finance the Vivat deal. Chelsea Man is confident its debt will be significantly reduced in the current year. The shares climbed 23p to

120p on the news.

Wellcome challenged Sir Alfred Shepperd, retiring more concerned with reducing

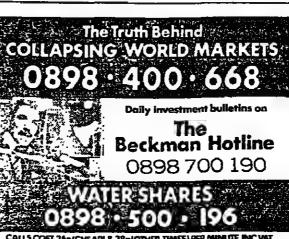
chairman and chief executive of Wellcome, was challenged at the annual meeting to adopt a "high volume sales at a low price" strategy for the drug Act Up, an Aids pressure

group, wants the cost of Aids

to about £1,500 a year. Sir

average doseages and seeking authority to sell Retrovir to those with early stages of HIV. Retrovir sales were worth £134 million last year. Well-come saw its profits rise 28 per

cent to £283 million. Sir Alastair Frame, of RTZ, treatment to fall by 50 per cent will be taking over as chairman, with Mr John Robb as Alfred said the company was the new chief executive.



Christmas have been slow.

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Vickers

hits at

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was attempting to elicit a statement from Sir Ron which

would either trigger an offer

period or prohibit an offer for

several months if he said he

did not intend to bid. The company has already refused

Sir Ron a seat on the board.

One broker said Sir Ron

would likely attempt to split

Vickers in two rather than

make an outright bid, putting

car manufacturing into one

listed company and the en-

gineering and defence busi-

ness into another.

Sir David said he was

particularly concerned that a

big foreign shareholder might

eopardize Vickers' chances of

winning the contract to re-

place the army's Chieftain

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TRADED OPTIONS.

Isosceles' performance outstrips bid forecasts

Isosceles, the consortium having no problems repaying which last year bid £2.1 billion its debt and was under no for Gateway, the supermarket group, has said that its performance since the takeover had outstripped its projections to the banks which lent the money for the highly leveraged deal.

For the 16 weeks to November 11, when Isosceles was in control, the group made a loss before the of £30 million after interest payments of £67

chairman, said it was impossible to give a comparison with the same period last year as the group had changed dramatically. Medicare, the chemist chain which was losing £140,000 a week, has been sold to Kingfisher and 60 Gateway superstores were noted to Assia for £705 million.

The group made operating profits of £44 million for the 16-week period on turnover of £921 million and Mr Sharp said the restructuring of the Gateway business was progressing well. Operating profits are about 10 per cent ahead of the forecasts to banks at the time of the bid, he said. Isosceles expects to make a pre-tax profit for the full year.

pressure to dispose of Hermans, the US sports chain, or another 20 superstores.

The group has fixed the interest rate on a large percent-age of its debt. Using swaps, £515 million has been fixed at 12.2 per cent for three years and £122 million has been capped at 12.5 per cent. A further \$400 million (£242 million) is fixed at 10 per cent.

In the half year to Novem-Mr Ernest Sharp, Isosceles ber 11 the loss at Hermans grew from \$10.5 million to \$13.2 million on static turnover \$319 million. Mr Sharp said he expected a US group would buy the busine Meantime, Hermans' stock inventory is being reduced, generating cash for Isosceles.

Isosceles is experimenting with a new format for its larger supermarkets under the name Somerfield Fine Fresh Foods. If successful there will be about 150 of these stores which will be more up market than the Gateway stores.

Mr Sharp said Isosceles' 40 per cent shareholder, Newgateway, the consortium which counterbid for Gateway, was friendly and helpful. re-tax profit for the full year. Isosceles stub equity is trading at between £25 and £35.



Miller gloomy on profits

By Jeremy Andrews

Shares in Stanley Miller, the builder and property devel-oper, plunged 27p to 172p after a statement that profits for 1989 would fall "considerably short" of the £1.25 million before tax reported for

They compare with the 345p peak reached before the losses in its Scottish operations and the planning inquiry into its £140 million Quayside development in central Newcarde were announced. When the fall in first-balf

profits from £315,000 to £22,000 was announced in September, Mr Colin Powell, chairman, said all activities were then trading profitably. Now the company says that the communication business has

had a disappointing year even though there were healthy performances from its house-building and joinery activities. Scottish construction operaons, which lost £145,000 in the first baif, have been sold at an extraordinary cost of

Elders poised for pub expansion

By Colin Campbell

1990s. GrandMet has been

holding preliminary talks with

Elders said that the call

option over Courage will pro-

vide the Elders group with

"flexibility" to deal with the

Courage Pub Estate "at a time

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Elders' other British brew-

ing interests were also in the

spotlight with renewed specu-

lation that Elders is about to

international brewers.

Grand Metropolitan's grand his hope that GrandMet will design to move out of brewing and exchange those interests for public houses took a step forward when the Elders DXL group of Australia said it had taken up a £250 million call option over the Courage Pub Company.

Elders has since May 1988, held a 50 per cent stake with fellow Australian group Hudson Conway in Courage Pub Company Holdings — owner of more than 5,000 English public houses under the Courage umbrella - and is taking a call option on the remaining 50 per cent from Conway.

The call option can be exercised up to December 6 this year. Mr Peter Bartels, chief executive of Elders Brewing would not comment on reasons why the agreement was based on a call option.

The timing of the exercise of the option will determine the final price, which could reach

Mr Allen Sheppard, Grand- Scottish & Newcastle with little net financial effect, al-

close two offices By Graham Searjeant

Thames Water is to vacate resolve the future of its brewtwo valuable freehold sites as ing interests before the spring. part of an office rational-The Elders-Courage development encouraged London in July, it will close an office analysts to believe that a full-

on a 4.3-acre site near the M25 motorway in Hertfordshire, scale public houses-for-breweries swap between Elders and and its historic New River GrandMet could be close. Head offices on a 4.5-acre mixed-use site at Islington. In the light of the Monopolies and Mergers report into north London, in 1992. the brewing industry, and in finalizing its own blueprint for its liquor interests for the

built specialized office, control and laboratory sites. The New River Head is part listed and its future is being discussed with the local authority and with English Heri-

Thames to

tage. Outsiders estimate the Hertfordshire site might be worth about £7.5 million with planning permission. Tharnes did not disclose the balance sheet value of the sites, which were not specifically identified as surplus in privatization arrangements, place its 23 per cent stake in | and suggested there would be

Mr Stuart Mitchell for IEP said he was surprised at the letter and his company had been in regular contact with Vickers. He said it was in Notice has been given in advance to 665 employees who will move to purpose TEP's interests that Vickers wins the tank contract and keeps the Rolls-Royce rights.

Sir David said he had not received a satisfactory answer when he wrote to Sir Ron last month asking him to make his intentions clear. Sir Ron repeated he was a friendly shareholder and also offered to visit the Ministry of Defence if it would ease Vickers' concern about the tank

"Vickers has the view that undermining the Britishness of the company may influence

COMMENT David Brewerton

Suddenly, Delors plan seems quite acceptable

By Angela Mackay he Prime Minister's approach to proposals from Brussels that she Fed-up with an encroaching foreign investor, Vickers yes does not like is to oppose them terday sent a letter to and to muddy the waters with countershareholders complaining at proposals likely to be opposed by other the "destabilizing" presence Sir Ron Brierley, the New countries. There is a subtler response: to seize the suggestion with apparent Zealand businessman, was enthusiasm and then push the implicaexerting on the company. tions so far that they alarm the original Sir David Plastow, Vickers' proponents. Could this be the hidden chairman and chief executive, message in Karl-Otto Pohl's remarkable told shareholders: "I regard Industrial Equity Pacific's speech on the requirements for an increasing holding to be European central bank?

against the best interests of Herr Pohl certainly laid it on the line. Vickers shareholders." IEP is He maintains any central bank operating Sir Ron's Hong Kong-reg-istered investment vehicle. on conventional Community lines of political compromise - symbolically Last week, IEP said it had like the Ecu basket currency - was lifted its stake from just under bound to be a failure. It would be worse 17 to 17.25 per cent. The New than the present continental system of Zealanders have steadily built this holding over the past 16 an exchange rate system anchored to the mark and hence to sound German price of £2 a share against Vickers' closing price yes-terday of 205p, down 1p. Analysis suggested Vickers monetary policy.

If a European central bank was to work, it would have to duplicate the virtues of the German system. Its directors would have to be independent of member governments and the Commission to the extent that they would be unsackable for long periods, would have guaranteed pensions and need consult no-one. The chairman would report to the European parliament only occasionally, but not as often as the Federal

Reserve chairman reports to Congress. This independent body would have a monopoly of monetary policy, including creation of money, credit and liquidity and setting interest rates. Since it would

agency status, along with regulating local financial institutions. To do that, they would have to enjoy similar independence to the Community bank. The implications for national public finance, especially at the short end, were left unsaid but seem wide-ranging.

This is all perfectly logical. Needless

over national foreign exchange reserves

and, Herr Pohl implies, have control of

other market means of intervention such

toe the line on fiscal policy - not neces-

sarily through formal limits on national

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banks would be reduced, like the Federal

Reserve Banks of American states, to

National governments would have to

as the equivalent of Treasury Bills.

to say, it will appal everyone from Margaret Thatcher to Jacques Delors, with Paris and Frankfurt collectively foaming in between. For some, handing over fundamental means of sovereignty, along with the title, will be crucial; for others democratic accountability, with its many different meanings, will be the sticking point.

On the other hand, as any speech of this nature was bound to say, the Com-munity could make an awful lot of progress under the present arrangements augmented by Stage 1 of the Delors plan for economic and monetary union, which even the British government has formally conceded. Trust the mark, trust the Bundesbank and there is no need to rush further in a hurry. Britain might not put it quite that way, but this alternative will be most acceptable in Downing

Rolls-Royce warms up

R olls-Royce shares at 183p languish within a stone's throw of the May 1987 offer-for-sale price of 170p, making them the worst performer among the privatization stocks. Most of this is not the fault of R-R, but of the Government which insisted on floating the company with a 15 per cent upper limit on foreign shareholdings. In the post-flotation scramble, 22 per cent of the shares fell into foreign hands, and overseas investors had subsequently to sell £55 million of shares, at a loss, the wrong side of the 1987 crash.

Last September, two years too late, the Government was finally persuaded to lift the limit to 29.5 per cent, but to nobody's great surprise the investors who were shown the door in 1987 did not queue up to buy again, and the proportion of R-R shares in foreign hands stands at only 15.8 per cent. Positive efforts are being made to lift that percentage and, at the same time, lift the price. Peter Macfarlane, finance director, will be in New York today to shares in American Depository Receipt (ADR) form, and a roadshow is planned

for Japan, where some 11 per cent of the shares are held.

The Japanese are unlikely to be disappointed. While Sir Francis Tombs, R-R chairman, may be happy with the peerage awarded him in the New Year honours (Lord Tombs of where, we wonder?), he is not content with R-R's market share in civil aero-engines. Although this has doubled to 20 per cent since 1987, Tombs wants 30 per cent. General Electric is equally keen his ambitions will not be realized. But even if the proposed new GE engine, the GE90, does put a spanner into Rolls-Royce's turbines it will make no impact for years.

billion order book, up from £4.1 billion a year ago, and is diversifying. About a billion of the increase in the order book arises as a result of the inclusion of Northern Engineering Industries, acquired for £306 millions of R-R shares in May. The acquisition was not universally acclaimed in the City. Tombs will need to demonstrate the

credit for the deal. We may not have

Meanwhile, R-R sits astride a £6

. Bond company 'had no bank account'

Met's chairman, had outlined institutions.

From David Tweed, Sydney

Bond Brewing Investments which houses investments worth hundreds of millions of dollars for the Bond Group, operated without a bank account, the Victorian supreme court has been told.

Mr David Crawford, of Peat Marwick Hungerford, the accountant, said BBI operated through its parent Bond Brewing Holdings (BBH) which acted as a central banker for the group. Mr Crawford is a receiver-manager of BBH, with Mr Charles Sear.

BBH is seeking to overturn their appointment, made at the application of the National Australia Bank, the leader of the syndicate with an exposure of

Mr Jeff Reynolds, the Texas investor who planned a rescue for Bond Corp, has withdrawn from negotiations because he can not secure financing. He had secured funding of about \$195 million (£118 million) for 51 per cent of Bond.

Aus\$80 million (£38 million) to BBH. Asked by Mr Justice Beach if it was common for a company to operate without a bank account, Mr Crawford said: "Not in my experience."

In other developments, Mr Alan Bond, chairman of the Bond Group, appealed to the state government of Queensland to reconsider its forced acquisition of an additional 15.5 per cent penalty stake in the Aus\$1.3 billion Greenvale nickel project.

Mr Bond's appeal followed the success of the state government in more than doubling its holding in Greenvale at no extra cost after enforcing a technicality in the original joint venture agreement.

Under the terms of the original joint venture agreement, the state's government had the right to increase its holding automatically by 15.5 per cent if a receiver was appointed to the Bond company. One was appointed to MEQ Nickel, an offsboot of Dallhold Investments, Mr Bond's family company, last week. Although he was subsequently withdrawn, the right to increase the holding was triggered.

Mister **Donut sold** to Allied

By Our City Staff

Allied-Lyons has reached an agreement to buy Mister Do-nut, the American doughnut retail chain, from Inter-national Multifoods for less than £30 million.

Allied-Lyons said the ac quisition of Mister Donut's 558 stores in the US by Allied-Lyons' Dunkin' Donuts unit. the 1,842-unit donut and coffee chain which it bought for \$325 million (£196 million) last November, is in line with

its intention to further develop its food businesses. The company declined to state a precise figure for the purchase. Analysis, however, reckon it was for between £26 million and £30 million.

Mr Tony Pratt, for Allied-Lyons, said the purchase forms part of the group's strategy to concentrate on its core-franchised and branded

Allied-Lyons last month both disposed of its Embassy hotel chain and bought Whitbread's spirits division for £545 million. Mr Jonathan Goble, an

equities analyst at Barclays de Zoete Wedd, the broker, said the Mister Donut acquisition fitted well in the company's points of focus.

SNC action to recover £8m lost on Ferranti purchase

Scrimgeour Vickers Asset Management yesterday to try to reclaim £8 million lost on the purchase in July of a 3.8 per cent stake in Ferranti International.

SNC bought about 28 million Ferranti shares for 82.25p a share, 4.75p below market. By the time the broker's interim accounts were closed off on October 27 last year, Ferranti stock was trading at 56p after the company shares plummeted when the company revealed it had been the subject of a £215 million

SNC, as a market-maker in Ferranti, was believed to have already had a small stake in the British defence and electronics group at the time of the purchase and could in September speak for about 4.5 per

cent of the company. Since October it has sold most of the stake. Yesterday, Ferranti closed at 34p, down

Citibank NA, said it had ob- three other ISC employees, tained 30 million shares when along with five Panamanian Citibank declared a loan in companies, to try to recover default at the beginning of \$198 million (£119.6 million) June and sold the shares of the the lost money. The defend the action.



James Guerin: shares were offered as a security against loan

security. The shares had belonged to Mr James Guerin, the former deputy chairman of Ferranti who resigned from the board in May. Mr Guerin was the founder of ISC, the US-based company at the heart of the fraud that involves bogus defence contracts with Pakistan, China and Iraq.

Ferranti has already issued Scrimgeour, a subsidiary of writs against Mr Guerin and

which had been offered as company is also expected to Marwick McLintock, ISC's auditor at the time of the merger of Ferranti and the US group in September 1987, and several other parties.

Smith New Court Securities' writ against Scrimgeour Vickers seeks to rescind the sale and/or seek damages over alleged misrepresentation of the sale of the shares, under section 2 (i) of the Misrepresentation Act 1967.

Citibank said the action was without merit and would fully

Changes to allow trust management and insurance policy sales

Friendly societies set for wider powers

By Lindsay Cook Family Money Editor

Friendly societies are to be allowed to manage unit trusts and personal equity plans, and to sell insurance policies and personal loans, including mortgages, on an agency basis.

The changes are proposed in a green paper published yesterday after a review of the 467 societies.

To take up the wider business powers through subsidiaries, societies will have to incorporate. The green paper proposes they should be able to do this by a new, swift, cheap route under the Industrial and Provident Act. Societies will be required to provide a

statutory compensation scheme for investors and to meet the solvency requirements already being met by the largest societies before they can operate Carol Leonard scheme is likely to guarantee 90 per cent also have to join an Ombudsman scheme. The earliest the powers can be are accounted for by 37 societies. introduced is the summer of 1991.

Mr Alec Wilson, the deputy commissioner of Friendly Societies, said the green paper gave the societies all the powers for which they had asked. It does not, however, deal with the limit on the traditional tax-exempt policies offered by societies. This request will be dealt with along with other submissions for the Budget.

Since 1984, the limit on societies' taxexempt policies has been £9 a month or £100 a year. In addition, they have been squeezed by investor protection legislation and European Community legislation. Because of these pressures, 126 societies have ceased taking new business. Another 115 only did business below the tax-exempt threshold and had total premium incomes of less than £50,000.

of a member's benefits. Societies will About 95 per cent of the £4.1 billion funds under management by societies

Where societies are in decline, the management costs rise as a proportion of income and begin to erode the payments expected by members. The investor protection scheme would monitor societies with management expenses rising disproportionately, putting benefits at risk. An "adviser" would then be appointed to help the committee of management of the society.

Mr Peter Gray, chief executive of the Tunbridge Wells Equitable Friendly Society, said: "We have still got to get this into action. The pressure must still be on some smaller societies to consider .

Mr John Reeve, chief executive of Family Assurance, said:" It will be a frustrating time seeing the new powers but not being able to make use of them."

Casualty grows

Among the 79 broking and

back office staff in London and Edinburgh who lost their County NatWest WoodMac jobs yesterday, three are well known City personalities. Most senior among them was Jeff Green, a one-time partner with Bisgood Bishop, the specialist smaller companies market-maker built up by Brian Winterflood, who was briefly head of market-making there and then ran marketmaking jointly with Colin Mills after its merger with Wood Mackenzie. Green had more recently been employed in an administrative role. Also redundant is Philip Cole, an ex-Akroyd man who ran the smaller companies book and was one of the first marketmakers ever employed by Wood Mackenzie. "In that job he had to follow in the lootsteps of Winterflood himself," said one City observer."It must have been a bit like trying to follow Frank Sinatra." The third of the trio is Paul Shrubshaw, who was with the firm for more than four years, and specialized in second-line oil stocks.

The surprise referral of Kingfisher's bid for Dixons is, Say sources at Kingfisher's Marylebone Road headquarters, being blamed on its delay in removing several Christmas trees on display there. Failure to remove Christmas decorations before twelfth night -January 6 - brings, according to folklore, bad inck. The decorations at Kinglisher were

still up on January 10. . . .



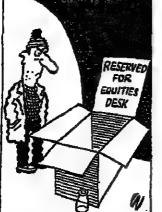
No, not that Hughes

rates by the end of this year by the Nomera Research Insti-tute were regarded as so "off Hughes' choice if base rates do the wall" by former cocoa com- not come down to 11 per cent modities trader Mike Hughes by the allotted deadline. How-

- who recently left W G Spice ever, Nomura is not the first to become, of all things, a City firm to predict 11 per cent freelance photographer – that base rates. It was pipped to the telephoned LBC, the London radio station where he had the chief economist is one heard Chris Dillow, Nomura's Michael Hughes. "We were chief UK economist, intervery intrigued at first because viewed, and offered a £500 bet we got the two of them con-that they would not. According fused," admits Mark Cliffe, that they would not. According fused," admits Mark Cliff to sources at LBC Crown FM, Nomura's chief economist.

Mere bagatelle Arguably the last word on the disastrous MTM acquisition in the States. The pay rise

caused some controversy when it was announced last year, just as the first red ink salary of James Gatward, the from MTM was arriving on chairman of TVS, which sky- these shores. As he announced rocketed from £118,000 to halved profits from TVS yes-£250,000 on the back of the terday, James commented: "Being my own contract, I didn't pay much attention to it." If you believe that...

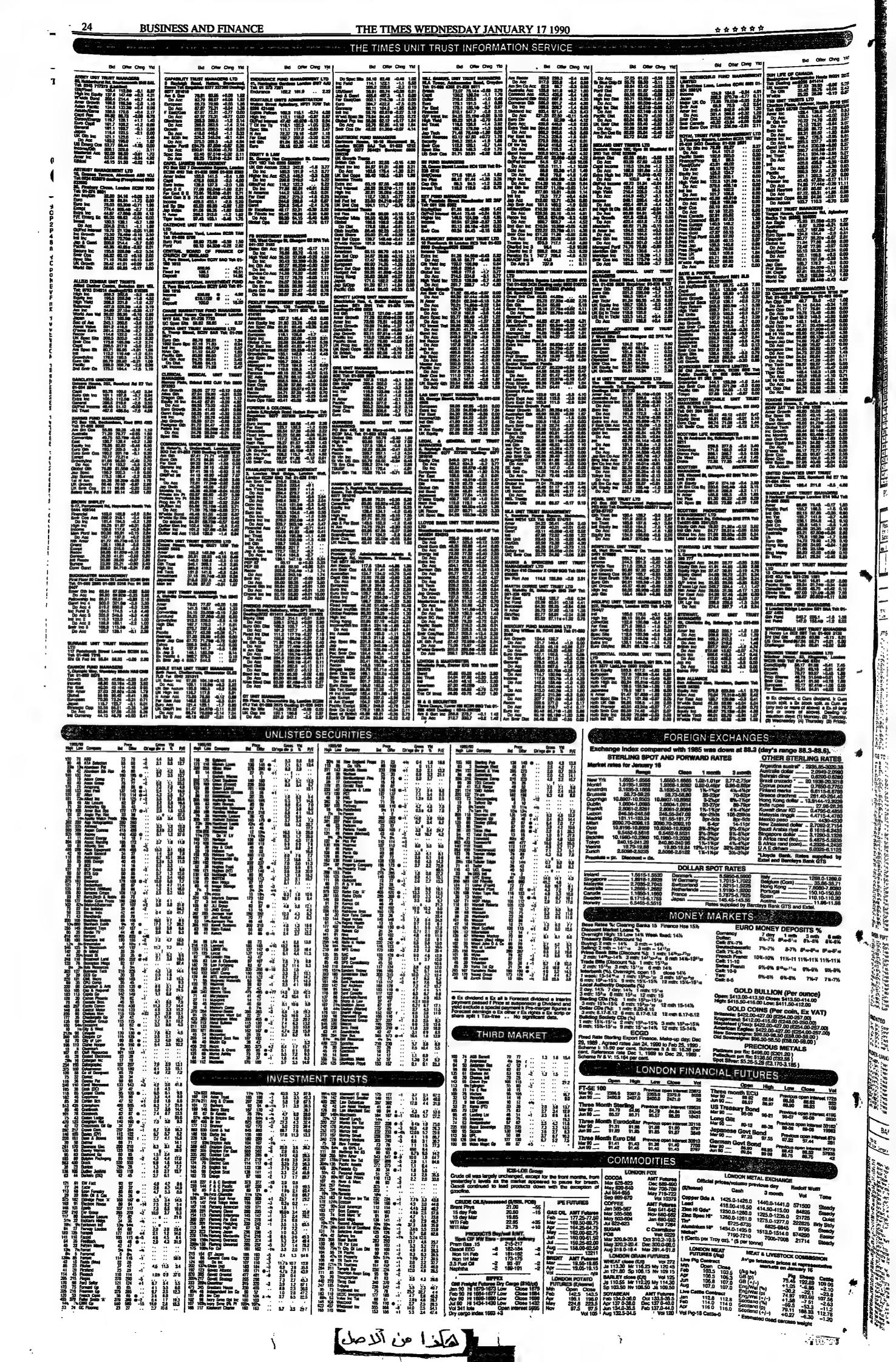


Raver's return Mike Moore, New Zealand's Minister for External Relations and Trade, issued a prese release asking exporters to pay for "a raving trade ambassador" to seek new business opportunities in Eastern Europe. A somewhat embarrassed Moore, whose bid last research currently available year to succeed David Lange and at a cost of only £67 per as prime minister was de- copy, it makes you realize just feated, has now had to con- how expensive it is for brokers vene a press conference - to to employ researchers." explain that he meant to say "a roving trade ambassador."

Payback from Zak After reading the writing on the wall, Zak Keshavjee, aged 38, a former stores analyst

with Swiss Bank Corp (formerly Savory Milln), has given up all attempts to land another job within the Square Mile. Instead, he now plans to launch an independent research house, initially from his home in Hampton, West London. Keshavjee, who bopes to have his operation up and running by March or April, with offices in Rich-mond or Twickenham, tells me that he will have four products in total. "One will be called Payback, a technical share valuation product, published monthly, another will be Trendline, published bimonthly and giving a detailed analysis of a company," he says. "On a quarterly basis I will publish an in-depth look at a major issue in the sector such as food retailing profitability in the longer term (of which I am bearish) - and, also on a quarterly basis I will publish a review, which will be a related and detailed study of a company - i.e. a food re-tailer." Keshavjee, who will charge £3,000 a year for all four publications - although they are, he says, available at an introductory offer of £1,750 before the end of February - says he has had an encouraging response from institutions. "They are fed up

with the overall quality of



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Shares stage a comeback after early 37-point slide

another volatile session following a 666-point fall overnight in Tokyo, where domestic worries and unrest in the Soviet Union continued to dominate sentiment.

Attempts at an early rally, prompted by talk of an imminent mega-bid, proved short-lived. A few scattered sellers and news of more City job losses caught market-makers on the hop and once again drove prices sharply lower. Once again all eyes were on Wall Street as traders anxiously awaited reaction to the news from Tokyo.

At its worst, the FT-SE 100 index was down 36.7 points, but a rearguard action by investors in New York where the Dow Jones industrial average recovered an early fall - enabled it to reduce the fall to just 17.1 to close at 2,349.1. Dealers are convinced the market still has further to fall, but are looking for a small technical rally when dealings resume today, provided there are no further setbacks in the Far East.

The narrower FT index of top 30 shares lost 21.2 points to 1,875.7, while turnover remained low, with just 479 million shares traded.

Government securities made a firm start, but soon ran out of steam to finish with losses of £1% at the longer end, Scuttish & Newcautie Error eries fell 6p to 342p, after

touching 331p at one stage, on revived talk that Elders IXL, the Australian brewer, was close to selling its 23 per cent holding at 325p. Elders was ordered to reduce its holding below 10 per cent after its original bid was blocked by the Government. Elders has several large cash Mergers Commission. The in-

Cathay Pacific, Hong Kong's

flagship carrier, is to take a

significant stake in Dragon

Negotiations for Cathay to

accounte at least a third of

Dragonair are at the final stage

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The deal is being brokered

Airlines, its competitor.

Elders stake sale soon?

calls due and may need to sell. quiry is expected to take at It is reckoned to have paid more than 400p a share for the Kingfisher offer of 120p a stake and faces a large loss. Dealers said speculation about lapse. Kingfisher slipped 2p to the sale was heightened by 294p. claims that Barclays de Zoete Wedd, the broker, was trying to place a large line of S&N with clients.

321p after a mention in this Grand Metropolitan, the column yesterday. Full-year Fisons jumped 7p to 339p helped by a "buy" recommendation from Nikko Securities, the Tokyo-based securities house. Mr Andrew Porter, an analyst, says that after a period of underperformance the shares are fairly valued. He reckons the

ition of VG Instruments is an excellent move.

brewer, fell 11p to 515p. The group is buying a 49 per cent stake in Remy Martin and a 19 per cent stake in Cointreau, which belongs to Mr Max Cointreau. GrandMet is looking to dispose of its brewing interests and may be willing to accept a pubs-for-breweries swap by Elders.

Dixons fell 8p to 128p on news that the £568 million bid by Kingfisher had been referred to the Monopolies and

Dragonair stake for Cathay

From Lule Ye, Hong Kong overseas investment arm, after the departure of Sir Y K.

Truman and Watney Mann figures due this account are expected to show pre-tax profits up from £225 million to at least £270 million. Dealers say Lonrho is close to selling its Western Platinum subsidiary to General Mining, which controls Impaia Platinum.

least three months and the

share has been allowed to

Lourho, the international

trading group headed by Mr

Tiny Rowland, climbed 5p to

Hugh Mackay, the floor coverings specialist, jumped 2p to 132p after announcing it was in bid talks. But the group says any offer is unlikely to be more than the current ruling market price.

investors through the Bank of New York Nominees has fallen by 12 million shares to 317.9 million, or 24.7 per cent, Yorkshire Chemical firmed 2p to 374p. The Scottish

shares held by American

Amicable has raised its stake in the company to 1.17 million shares, or 5.96 per cent. The shares have been a firm market of late, buoyed by talk of stakebuilding as the prelude to a full bid

British Land, the property group headed by Mr John Ritblat, rose on strongly denied bid speculation. Charterhouse, the merchant bank, denied that it had received an approach by a third party which is considering making an offer for the company. The British Land share price responded with a jump of 13p to 401p, after briefly touching 425p. The company has called for an inquiry into its share dealings.
This month, shareholders

rejected a controversial restructuring programme pro-posed by Mr Rithlat aimed at poosting shareholder value. Oil shares responded to a

survey from James Capel, the stockbroker, forecasting a 22 per cent increase in North Sea oil production, but prices drifted off their best in late

Takeover favourité Burmah touched 670p before closing all-square at 663p, while Lasmo surged to 588p, before finishing 1p lighter at 573p, on talk of a significant find in the Middle East. But small losses were seen in BP, 1p to 330p, Enterprise, 2p to 647p, Shell, 3p to 456p and Ultramar, 3p to 362p, after 370p.

Michael Clark

BP to be based in Brussels

refining and marketing operations into a single operation based in Brussels in the run-up to the single European market

Since 1988, BP has had two European divisions. Atlantic Division - which included BP Oil UK based at Hemel Hempstead, Hertfordshire and the Continental Division.

WALL STREET

Japan fall knocks Dow by 18 points

New York (AP-Dow Jones) - consecutive day as buyers Share prices were broadly continued to keep a low lower in active early trading in profile. The Dax 30-share lower in active early trading in the wake of the sell-off in the Tokyo market.

The Dow Jones industrial average was down 17.92 points at 2,651.45. Standard & Poor's 500-stock index was down 2% and the New York calculated. dex was down 1先

Declining issues led advancers by about eight-to-one on the Big Board as NYSE volume reached 19 million

Traders did not expect any lasting support in the market to last, given the severe losses in Tokyo in two consecutive sessions. They added that American investors were worried about developing stagflation - a combination of a stagnant economy and rising inflationary pressures.
It was widely believed that

the Federal Reserve would be unlikely to ease credit to stimulate the economy due to rising inflation.

• Frankfurt - Share prices retreated broadly for a second

index had fallen 40 to 50 points from the previous finish before the bourse electronic price reporting system failed late in the session. A final Dax is still to be

• Singapore - The Straits
Times industrial index fell 13.04 points to 1,512.50. The value of volume traded fell to 232.4 million Singapore dollars (£74.0 million) from 251.3 million Singapore dollars.

inaries index fell 6.7 points to 1.675.4. Turnover value reached Aus\$187 million (£89 million), up from Aus\$145

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(frea)	149.1	-1.7	13.7	-2.1	14.8	-2.3	4.0
Europe	733.0	-1.6	35.6	-1.6	25.8	-23	24.1
(Trae)	157.5	-1.7	36.0	-1.9	25.9	-23	24.5
Nth America	499.6	0.0	31.6	-0.6	20.2	-0.8	20.5
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Editors should edit, not manage

Charles Wintour

obert Maxwell likes to surprise his audience. Shortly after announcing that he treated his editors like field marshals — which may have come as news to one or two of them — he stated that each was soon to combine the managing directorship of his or her paper with their existing editorial responsibilities. In addition The People is due to be hived off as a separate company in two years.

These decisions were not universally welcomed. Patrick Morrissey, the cool and capable managing director of Mirror Group Newspapers, resigned. He believed he should be chief executive and thought he had persuaded Maxwell that this was the logical solution. Despite strenuous efforts by two of Maxwell's sons to persuade him to stay in another lucrative role, Morrissey felt that a principle was at stake and would not change his decision. So Maxwell, who last month lost his chief of staff, Peter Jay, to the BBC, will apparently become entirely dependent on the ability of his editors to run the newspaper business successfully. Owing to the structure of Mirror

Group Newspapers they will not have an easy time. For it is a tripartite operation. The British Newspaper Printing Corporation, now back in the group, runs the production

runs the production side; the revenue producing area — marketing, circulation, advertising — is the second, commercial, arm of the business; and the editorial is of course the third. Who will negotiate the printing contracts within the group? Who will settle the advertising rates? Who will decide the ratio of advertising to editorial?

Further, the editors will be taking over at a time when tabloid circulations are falling quite sharply. In December the Daily Mirror was down 100,700 (3.2 per cent) on the same month last year, the Sunday Mirror down 125,200 (4.2 per cent) and The People down 102,200 (3.8 per cent). Other tabloid newspapers suffered even more severely, but if this trend continues the effect on profitability must be considerable, particularly as the squeeze on advertising is likely to intensify over the next few months.

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Of course a few editors have combined managerial responsibilities with their editorial function. Andreas Whittam Smith, after launching The Independent successfully, took over as chief executive in 1987. His achievement is unquestioned and is underlined by a profit, just announced, of £3.2 million last year compared with a loss of £1.5 million the year

before. But with the pending launch of The Independent on Sunday he relinquished his editorship and now concentrates on his executive responsibilities.

When David Montgomery became editor of Today, he also took over the managing directorship. In December his paper was the only tabloid to show a gain on last year — up 21,600 (4 per cent) to 552,374 — but the circulation has dropped back sharply from its peak and the paper is not yet in profit. Montgomery has achieved editorial wonders in turning Today into a highly readable tabloid with a clearly defined target audience, and heavy promotion has produced useful results. Yet it cannot be said that his example necessarily shows that the jobs can be combined

In a minor way I had some management responsibilities for a couple of years when editing the Evening Standard. What I learnt was that management does take time, and that is a quality which editors always find in short supply. The more thoroughly they take their management responsibilities, the

responsibilities, the less time they will have for editing. More and more decisions had to be taken by the deputy editor because the editor simply was not on deck.

Further, management is much more concerned with figures than with words. An ability to create a sparkling newspaper does not necessarily go with a high level of numeracy. Indeed it can be argued that editors should not even join the board of their newspaper company. Once editors start to worry too much about costs they may lose that precious quality of élan and excitement which can inspire their team. And if they start getting too worried about losses or reduced profits they may even have a depressing effect on those around them.

axwell is fond of saying, "Editors on top, management on tap". But of course this aphorism does not conceal the fact that he is the man who is really on top. By dispensing with the idea of a chief executive for the Mirror Group and by multiplying the responsibilities of his editors, is he really strengthening his own control of the group while appearing to favour a more relaxed style of management? The answer is obscure. But one thing is clear; not every field marshal has a manager's mentality in his knapace.

Pennies from Heaven?

Will money-spinning evangelists take over when religious affairs slots on TV are sold to the highest bidder?

Sally Brompton

investigates

hurchmen are concerned that the Government's proposals to deregulate television brondcasting may prove to be the answer to a prayer for American-style "televangelists" anxious to find themselves a platform in Britain.

By offering franchises to the highest bidders and excluding any specific legislation for religious programming in the Broadcasting Bill, many churchmen feel that it will be the moneyspinning evangelists such as Jimmy Swaggart and Oral Roberts who will cash in by spreading their highlypersonalized Christian messages over the cable and smellite airwaves.

"Some of the electronic church people seem to be saying 'Give your heart to Jesus and your money to me and you will have two cars tomorrow', which is a gross corruption of the Christian gospel," says the Reverend John Barton, chief broadcasting officer to the Church of England.

But, he adds, the audiences for such American evangelists are "very small compared with those for British religious programmes. They succeed by persuading people who are committed Christians to part with

By comparison, Songs of Praise and Highway — the BBC's and ITV's religious flagships which compete for the 6.40 Sunday evening slot — frequently notch up 16 million viewers between them and make it to around the half-way mark in the top 100 most popular programmes.

Whether they would achieve such high viewing figures were they not on prime-time television, aqueezed between the news and a lightweight comedy/drama series, is debatable. One of the fears of church leaders in that the traditional British religious programmes will be broadcast at unsociable hours or on minority channels, encouraging the more aggressive evangelists to sneak in via the satellites.

"Television controllers might continue to move religion further and further away from the peak-buying



hours and fill up the dead parts of the schedule with it," says Dr Jim McDonnell, secretary of the Catholic Communications Committee in England and Water.

"Another concern is that people will stop making religious programmes on Channel 3 and will base religious programming on Channel 4, as if religion was a minority interest like making beer.

"The danger would be if people in the main networks said 'Why doesn't religion have its own cable or satellite slot or radio station?' which would mean they wouldn't need to think about it any more and could put it in a little shetto.

"I know the televangelists are

looking to Britain for the future because they have flooded the home market. But I can't see them being a significant threat to established broadcasters unless established broad-casters lose their nerve."

The Evangelical Alliance is scathing about the suggestion that it might attempt to emulate the American television evangelists. "Programmes reflect the country that produces them," says Peter Meadows, the alliance's communications secretary. "There are bizarre programmes in America because America is a bizarre country. The programmes produced here will be an expression of the British church culture."

As the White Paper stands at

present, religious organizations would not be allowed to own licensed television channels but could run their own local radio stations, providing they broadcast a diversity of views.

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The television ruling, aimed at preventing cults such as the Moonies and the Scientologists and religious political groups from owning stations, will put an end to Britain's only religious television channel, Vision,

now in its fifth year.

Fran Wildish, chief executive of Vision, whose cable programmes are available to around \$0,000 homes in Glasgow, Coventry, Swindon, Windsor, Croydon and Ealing, does not see the ban deterring the television evangelists.

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"It's inevitable and things are being act up now," says Wildish, who provides a balance of programmes from mainstream denominations, which she edits on donated equipment in two rented rooms in a Swindon office block. "They can get on any satellite. The law is nonsease because it can't prevent them coming from outside, but it prevents us from operating."

ritain already has a Christian radio station in Network Eleven, started four months ago by Peter Knott, a former businessman. Run on a shoestring, his 24-hour cable channel is currently received by an American airbase in Britain and a couple of

towns. Knott and two colleagues financed the station by mortgaging their homes, and appeal for sponsors over the air to enable the station to keep going. "We are asking 1,100 Christians who sympathize with what we're doing to sponsor us for £365 a year," Knott says.

Rupert Murdoch's Sky channel has turned down several offers from American televangelists, including Swaggart. Sky broadcasts its Hour of Power at 6am on Sunday, featuring Dr Robert H. Schuller, who represents "a Protestant-based religion" and who does not ask his viewers to send in donations — "something which wouldn't fit into our schedules or our brief", according to a Sky spokesman.

John Whale, editor of Church Times and, until recently, head of BBC TV religious programmes, also recalls a visit from one of Swaggart's side-kicks determined to get his master on the BBC.

"I told him we couldn't take the programme because it was not presenting evidence on both sides of a question, but had taken one side and was pushing it. He said in effect and with great courtesy that I would fry in hell and I said, 'That's a risk I'll have to take'."

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Taking an academic approach

Whitehall's newly appointed TV watchdog talks to Richard Evans

coming the guru of television, mass communications - and their perceived ills and weaknesses. In the first two weeks of 1990 alone, the 45dity on television to the begins at 4am — while the portrayal of minority groups, president of the British Broadcasting Standards Council has requested a pilot study into the unexplored territory of television and fantasy, involving interviews search at Aston University with rapists and other crim- and has worked in his present inals confined in maximum field for more than 20 years. security units.

Last, but by no means least, the Home Office has commissioned a review of pornography and its effects on people's behaviour and

But why has Whitehall and the broadcasting establish-ment picked on the same academic to conduct what

Publication this week of Euro-Directory, the first European directory of public relations

consultancies, reflects a newly con-

fident mood in the industry. Euro-

pean consultants expect a boost to their already satisfactory growth —

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r Guy Cumber- critics are already labelling as batch is fast be- the latest outbreak of media

navel-gazing? "Because I am very hard-working and very bright," Cumberbatch says, before booting with laughter.

The answer is in character. year-old son of a Midlands Friends in the confined world mining engineer has been of media research confirm he asked by the BBC to look into is a workaholic - he goes to everything from sex and nu- bed at midnight, and his day while Lord Rees-Mogg's Psychological Society is on Broadcasting Standards record as saying Cumberbatch is the brightest of his generation of psychologists. He is head of communications re-

One of his few critics appears to be Mary Whitehouse. of the National Viewers and Listeners Association, who points to a possible conflict of interest between Cumberbatch's work for the BBC and the BSC, the watchdog body set up by the Government to tackle broadcasting misdemeanours. "He is running with



Gay Camberbatch at work: "My personal views should not influence the way I do research"

the hares and hunting with the worst thing anyone can do." hounds," Whitehouse says. respect for Mrs Whitehouse," he says. "In many ways the world would be a much better place if all the things she wants were achieved. What I don't like is that she wants to im-

Although there have been In return, Cumberbatch is thousands of papers on the complimentary. "I have great supposed effects of televised sex and violence, there is still a remarkable lack of consensus about the conclusions that should be drawn.

"It is sad," Cumberbatch says. "The research is so pose her own values on other fragmented and no one is people. That seems to be the really attempting to integrate

all the evidence property. You have scholars working in all sorts of fields without taking on board the pattern of find-

ings in related fields.

"I am also disappointed by the methodological quality of so much research. An awful lot is fatally flawed. It is also sad that so much research is not policy related.

academic is open with journalists, finding out his own views on the present state of television, and his personal likes and dislikes, is close to impossible.

He admits to watching little television himself - that falls to his researchers. "I'm too busy," he says. "I used to have it on in my office all the time, but I've had to cut down because it's so distracting."

Besides, he points out: "My personal views should not influence the way I do research. It is so important for professional psychologists such as myself to do research that is objective and fair."

Without blowing his own trumpet, he believes that this is why broadcasting executives and civil servants knock at his door.

But in spite of all the research, he is still uncertain about the effect of television on viewers. "We really don't know. The research methods that have been used are very crude indications and, by and large, suggest it wields a trivial influence. Most people, including myself, think that this cannot be true. The probiem is to find those ways in which television does influence. At the end of the day, the problem will come down to individual differences. People are influenced in different

The BBC is paying £85,000 for the work undertaken by Cumberbatch over the next 18 months, the Home Office is paying out £6,500 and the BSC a few thousand more, but that will scarcely fund the cost of extra researchers, let alone boost his personal finances.

And only time will tell if the BBC, Whitehall and, ultimately, the nation's viewers, profit from his round-the-

agencies, as well as marketing the first year. Entries, which are free, list among other things - an address, a contact, overseas offices and clients. Anderson believes the directory's third index, which lists consultan-

> day Telegraph, which have been hardest hit by the Correspondent, will also be throwing themselves into new campaigns. The Observer, which has already relaunched its magazine with a bigger format and is planning a third section, will be spending £3 million on

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The imminent arrival of a new Sunday paper has led to an advertising war

campaigns ever launched flurry of activity has been sparked by the launch on on Sunday, the second new quality Sunday to enter the marketplace in four months.

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and Observer, and advertising the link with its and hope weekday stablemate, The Into supplant dependent. All its established the leader' Sunday com-

petitors - qual-ity and tabloid - have responded. It is daily paper, but Glover claims estimated that during the next he is aiming higher than the three months, the quality Sundays alone will spend up to £13 million on advertising, double the figure for the same

period last year.
The Sunday Correspondent, launched in September and now selling about 250,000 copies a week, is meeting its new compenior head-on. The paper's advertising spend will reach £7 million by the end of the summer, £2 million more than originally budgeted for

This week the market leader, The Sunday Times, joins in, with its own television and radio campaign, having given birth to new sections: one on sport and motoring, and a Review of the Week.

The Observer and The Sun-

advertising. Competition for poster sites

The most aggressive and and television advertising concentrated advertising slots is even fiercer, because the dailies have decided to by Britain's Sunday papers are cash in on the heightened swinging into action. This public awareness of newspapers which a new launch brings. The Guardian, for January 28 of The Independent example, will be spending £2.5 million this year. According to David Brook, the newspaper's head of marketing, "At a time

ven Glover, editor of The Independent on Sunday. "When there is one new entrant into the marketolace.

there are two. it's anarchy. be ambitious, Rupert Myles, advertising director of The Sunday Corres-

pondent. The JoS is relying on carrying readers across from the

Correspondent "The Correspondent has been happy being bought as a second newspaper. But you have to be outrageously ambitious, and hope to supplant the market leader. There's no

point otherwise." But the loS is also acutely aware that readers expect something different from their Sunday fare, After an initial debate about whether to promote itself through a strong link with the weekday paper, or as a completely separate entity, the campaign will now focus on a "cousin-like relationship, rather than a sisterly one", says Martin Smith, vice-chairman of

Bartie Bogie Hegarty. But when the smoke begins to clear, will there have been casualties? Not necessarily. The sharp decline in newspaper operating costs over the past few years has meant that break-even for the los lies somewhere about 350,000 copies a week. There could still be room for all.

Alex Sutherland

The first European PR consultancy directory is published this week

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go to get or maintain a presence in Europe. But new PR consultancies are springing up every week, and they didn't know what was available."

The directory lists 2,000 consultancies in 19 countries, and has "The EuroDirectory is a joint been widely welcomed by the PR industry. Peter Gummer, chairman venture between us and Chester Burger, the American management consultant," says the directory's editor, Jane Anderson, of British of Shandwick, the PR consultancy, says the directory reflects a growing awareness of the importance of the industry. Its practitioners believe

that it has changed out of all recognition in recent years, moving away from press management towards public affairs lobbying and "crisis and issues management". Although consumer PR is in relative decline, Gummer says, environmental, hi-tech, and Euro-

PR are massively on the increase. "It is essential we have more reliable information about the sector," Gummer says. "The directory represents a step forward because the majority of people who want to expand world-wide have no ready source of information." He sees the directory as principally useful for clients using small PR outfits who

want help with lobbying in Brussels. The EuroDirectory is available on Database, but Anderson predicts that most subscribers will take it in ring-bound form, updated quarterly, at £300, or £150 for an annual copy. She expects significant business from the Pacific rim, in addition to Europe and the US, and reports interest from government

cies by client (the others are an alphabetical list of all consultancies

and a list by country) will be its main selling point. "Companies tend to go for a consultancy already operating in their field when they move into a new country. This will enable them to see who their competitors are using." Geraldine Bedell

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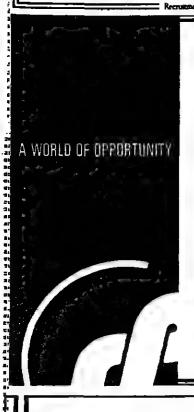
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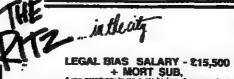
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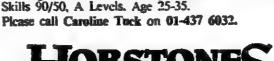
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The opening could account for the sale of the Sotogrande Estate last year. It passed from the original company, Financiera Sotogrande, to the Spanish builder Mascosa, after being listed on the Madrid and Barcelona stock exchanges in April.

The estate, 10 miles east of Gibraltar and once a holiday haunt of the Spanish aristocracy, has undergone a boom in development, and land prices have risen by more than 400 per cent. The population is swelling not

only with British holiday-makers but also with Gibraltarians, including expatriates, who are choosing to commute to the overcrowded Rock. Facilities are enticing, including an inter-national school, two 18-hole golf courses, two polo fields, tennis courts, riding and water sports.

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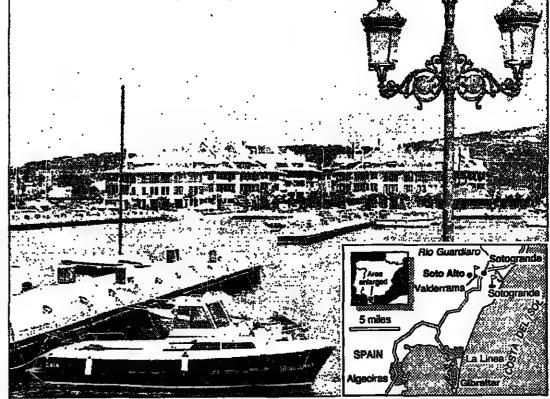
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Jaime Ortiz-Patiño, the Bolivian tin millionaire, is chairman of the exclusive Valderrama Golf Club, and in addition to owning the 18-hole course and clubhouse he has bought some tracts of land close by and has two developments under construction.

The first is Soto Alto, a scheme of custom-built villas on large plots. An average four-bedroom, four-bathroom home costs from around £375,000, including land. home, garden and pool. The second consists of 19 "patio" homes around a nine-hole golf course, now under construction. The whole scheme is due for completion by Easter. The attached houses overlook a central courtyard and feature three double bedrooms with bathrooms, living rooms, a separate dining room, a breakfast room, a kitchen and a garage. All the rooms open on to one of the small courtyards and three are available from £280,000. Details are obtainable from Propintra, Sierra Berrieja 71, Pueblo Nuevo, Sotogrande, Cadiz. (010 3456 792914), and O.R.P., 5 Broadway Court, Chesham, Buckinghamshire (0494 791779).

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apartments in Block 10 are left for sale. The apartments are large and have small private pools on their terraces. Prices range from £213,900 for an apartment with two bedrooms and two bathrooms to £556,000 for one with five bedrooms and five bathrooms. Two-bedroom penthouses are from £336,600 to £394,400.

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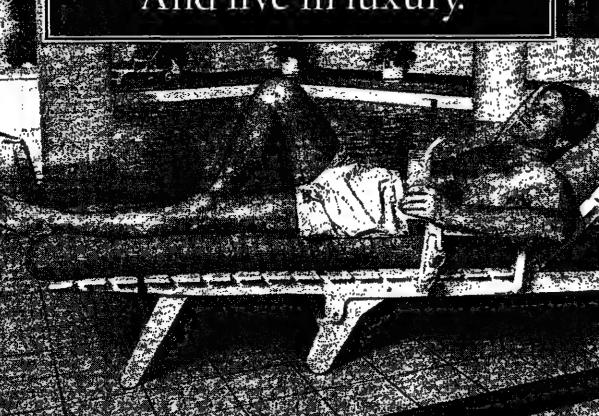
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survey of retail rents throughout the shopping high streets of the world shows that London has been replaced by West Germany at the top of the European league table, reports international property consultants Healey & Baker.

In its fourth edition of Main Streets Across the World, covering the past six months, it describes the period as one of mixed fortunes for the retail property

Healey & Baker converted rents world-wide into US dollars to give an international comparison. acknowledging that fluctuations in the exchange rate causes some distortion. The exchange rate was calculated at the end of October 1989, when it stood at \$1.57 to

The most striking changes have taken place in Europe, where Kanfinger Strasse in Munich and Hohe Strasse in Cologne, with top rents of \$227 (£144) per sq ft per year, have overtaken Oxford Street in London at \$220 (£140) per sq ft to record the highest retail rents in Europe. Healey & Baker says that this is the result of the continuing prosperity of the West German market at a time when retail rents in the London area have remained largely unchanged over the past

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Oxford Street rents

are no longer the

highest in Europe, a new survey shows

In London, Brompton Road and Sloane Street remain in second place at \$181, followed by Bond Street (\$150), Regent Street (\$134), King's Road, Chelsea (\$118), Kensington High Street (\$103) and Piccadilly (\$87).

The Ginza in Tokyo is still the world's most expensive retail pitch at \$660 per sq ft per year, showing a further increase in rents in the past six months, although in dollar terms the figures have slightly decreased as a result of exchange rate movements of the yen against the dollar.

Trump Tower in New York retains second position in the world league, with rents of \$500 per sq ft per year, ahead of other New York addresses such as East 57th Street (\$425-475) and Fifth Avenue (\$400-450).

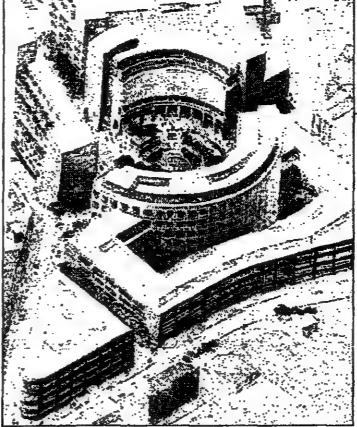
Italy, newly included in the survey, has top rents in Rome of \$172 per sq ft per year on the Via Sistina and Via Condotti, making it Europe's fourth most expensive retail location, with Paris in third place at \$204 on Rue du Faubourg St Honoré.

Ireland are in Dublin's Henry Street and Grafton Street at \$101 per sq ft per year, rising at a faster rate than those in Cardiff (\$88 in Queen Street) and St Helier, Jersey (\$93 on King and Queen Street). Rents in Madrid have continued to rise rapidly, and at \$124 have now increased above those in Princes Street, Edinburgh, and Argyle Street, Glasgow, at \$103-106.

Retail rents in Portugal remain the lowest covered in the survey, although they have risen by around 27.5 per cent to their current level of \$46 per sq ft per

Healey & Baker's senior retail partner, John Wills, says that the changing patterns of economic cycles world-wide are filtering through to affect the retail rents in many countries. Previous high economic growth rates were not likely to be sustained, with slower growth forecast.

"This slower rate in economic growth has led to stable retail operty markets, most notably in the United States and the UK," he says. "In contrast, some of the newer entrants to the European Community, such as Spain, Portugal and Ireland, have been enjoying higher than average growth and this is reflected in rising rents for shop units."



Artists's impression of Britannia Circus: it will provide up to 3,000 jobs

Circus promises jobs

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Boost for North?

7 hile the Government tries to allay fears over the premises and the introduction of the Uniform Business Rate, com-

plaints rumble on. The Confederation of British Industry, which has been highly vocal in its general criticism, has now found another cause for disquiet with the claim that the new system will increase the pressure on firms to move out of London and the nouth-cast.

Sue Shortland, manager of the CBI's employee relocation council, said that companies in the region were being faced with tremendons neresses in rate billy.

The Civil Service is already transferring many staff to the North and Midhade. Some 8,000 jobs were moved from London last year, and the figures for 1990 are likely to increase by at least 20 per

"The difficulty of recruiting and retaining skilled staff, and the traffic congestion which not only costs businesses £10 billion a year but affects the quality of life for employees who live or commute add to the costs, both human and financial, that companies have to meet," Shortland said. She warned, however, that moving should not be considered lightly.

Companies needed to be conscious of all the implications of changing premises and all relocation exercises must be well-planned to avert disaster.

By Christopher Warman

Property Correspondent

The agents Chesterton are looking at the situation from a different angle and see good investment opportunities being created in the porth-east as commerce and industry rates bills are reduced under the new system. "This will mean that businesses in the North and Midlands, which benefit from reduced rates bills, could eventually be in a better position to pay higher rents, therefore creating greater returns for the investor said Peter Chapman, Chesterton's

rating specialist. "Rental levels for the prime retail and office developm the South will be hardest hit by the revaluations, and investors should seriously consider property in the North," he said.

IN THE MARKET

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"Oh, I've got very fond memories of England," Tony Greig said. He was sitting high in the stands of the Melbourne Cricket Ground, the much venerated MCG, taking a break between spells of commentary on a match between Australia and Pakistan, I wonder if any other England captain in history has made such a statement.

I wonder, too, if any England captain has been as greatly hated by English people as Greig was during the time that he recruited and acted as apologist for Kerry Packer. Packer blew world cricket sky high, and throughout it all Greig was his strong right arm.

Greig is not, as my colleague, John Woodcock, famously wrote, an Englishman through and through. South African born, a captain of England, and now a citizen of Australia. What nationality does he think he is?

'I'm a South African," he said, without any hesitation at all. Through and through, no doubt. "I was born there, brought up there, and I have a South African accent still. I am not one of those people that loses things. But I live here in Australia, vote here, and I love Australia."

For all that, Greig was shouting for England during the summer's Ashes series. "I played cricket for England. I want to see them to win. I am very anti Australia winning at cricket - not in a nasty way, but how can I be on the same side as Chappell and Marsh and Lawry?"

These are his commentating col-leagues on Channel 9 Television, Australia's main vehicle for televised cricket.

Commentary, says Greig, is a nice hobby that doesn't interrupt many working days. Greig is a man of and he is still absolutely Packer? man: Packer's man to a point not all that far from hero worship, "He is the smartest bloke I've ever met. You've got to judge people when the going is tough, and when it was tough, I tell you, he was a great

Greig has worked for Packer virtually from the moment they met. After his part as recruiting sergeant and player for World Series Cricket, Greig became managing director of a broking business, then marketing director of an underwrit-ing firm. He is now in a stage of transition: he is winding down the Packer organization's association with the underwriting business.
"After that, I'm not sure. We'll have to see what Mr Packer says."

Greig remains hated in many quarters for "betraying" world England's

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From a Correspondent

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s: still very much a Packer man, Tony Greig, the former England captain, now plays cricket as a hobby

cricket. Certainly he changed it. The most usual justification for the charge of treachery is that he recruited cricketers for Packer's breakaway "circus" while he was captaining England in the Centenary Test against Australia in

Greig says that he did not meet Packer until just after the match. Then Packer demanded an undertaking of secrecy, before putting to Greig the scheme that was to set all cricket off like a fox in a ben bouse. Greig went away for a think, and came back to go along with Packer, and at the same time to ensure his own career long after his cricketing

"I think I was perhaps a bit too inclined to justify what I had done. For there is no doubt that I joined World Series Cricket for Tony Greig. For my family and my future. We've all got the right to do

"There was nothing permanent about the England captaincy! All the people who had held the captaincy

before me at that time had believed they were going to hold the job for a long time. But they didn't. So I didn't feel guilty about that aspect." Since there is scarcely an England

captain within living memory who has not been treated a little shabbily, if not shamefully, it is a little easier than it was to sympathize quite rationally with Greig here. But it is no good expecting anybody to be rational about any sporting issue: sport does not appeal to the rational side of people's natures. "I was one of those guys selected

for the project and I was able to negotiate a future for myself. I wasn't that strung up about the whole thing, it wasn't any big deal for me until various people in the cricket hierarchy came up to me and some of them just went mad. Some people were virtually incapable of sitting down and talking to me, incapable of doing anything other than being totally nasty.

"There were people who did believe that I had let them down, some of these people who had been

particularly good to me. I feel to this day a little sad about these friendships breaking down. But you can't live your life for others. I can live

It is clear that the years have not mellowed Greig, any more than they have turned him into an Englishman through and through. He does not have the appearance of a man whose days have been tranquil: he has lost a great deal of hair and gained a good few lines. He looks like a man who knows what care is.

But there is, as there always was something indomitable about him. didn't really have a great philosopy of captaincy, it really was a question of leading from the front. It was all that I knew how to do.

"I had confidence, you see, and I thought that if there was a problem I could just do it myself. Sometimes you become aggressive to hide that you feel maybe a little insecure. I think I was a pretty sensitive sort of

people, but everyone likes to have

one or two of those just for the fun of the thing. But the truth of the matter is, he is not the man who betrayed, or even ruined English cricket. He was just a floating object caught by the flood tide of history. ·Cricket was going to change somehow or other, just as tennis, and athletics, and football, and just

about every other mainstream sport has. Some evolved: cricket had a revolution. Packer was the irresist-It is the nature of a powerful man to be extremely good at selecting the people who roll up their sleeves and

do the actual job for him. Packer chose Greig as his instrument: a brilliant choice, and one that amply achieved Packer's end.

Greig is now a curiosity of history, taking care of business, and enjoying his cricket as a hobby. He has played his part in sport, and that's all done with too. The bitterness as well. "I'm a bit of a

Greig is a hate-object for many forgiver, actually," he said.

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about the body. One of his

later partners, Tauseef, had

his box split in two by Hughes,

and you may imagine how

But eventually lisz square

cut a long hop from Hughes at

a great pace and Marsh dived

to his left at cover point for a

ridiculously unlikely one-

handed catch. Although

Wagar lasted for 40 minutes

and Aagib for 20, Alderman,

just in time, convinced the

umpires that he had both of

As has so often happened, a

shaky Melbourne pitch had

emerged pretty well from a

testing experience, unlike the

people of Melbourne who had

been conspicuous by their

absence. A total of only 68,865

attended the five days, 5,328

of them yesterday. But more

AUSTRALIA: 223 (M A Taylor 52: Washin Alutam 6 for 62) and 312 for 6 dec (M A Taylor 101, A R Border 62 not out; Washin Alutam 5 for 98). PARISTAN: First Immings 107.

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TENNIS

Becker breezes to first-round win in confident style

Boris Becker dropped four games and John McEnroe just five in winning their first-round matches at the Australian Open yesterday. Neither can have made a more confident start to a

grand slam event. Becker, the No. 2 seed, beat Paul Haarhuis, of The Netherlands, who upset McEuroe in the US Open last year. McEnroe, seeded four, adopted what he called "a looser style" to defeat Thierry Tulasne, of France. "It was like playing ping-pong," McEnroe said. "If I could play like that every match, 'd bet my life savings each

Stefan Edberg also reached the second round in straight sers, though not without a wobble or two against the Swedish-born Anstralian, Johan Anderson. Anderson squandered four set points in the opening set, and led 4-2 in the third before losing the next four

As on the first day, two seeds went out - Carl-Uwe Steeb and Larisa Savchenko – but the most literal giant-killing act was performed by Ramesh Krishnan, 5ft 7in tall, who slew Markus Zoecke, 6ft 5in, in five

The match was as much a contrast in style as in stature. Krishnan is an artist, Zoecke German hit men. His name is correctly pronounced "Zucker" but the umpire said "Zooka", as in bazooka, which was far more appropriate given the velocity of his service.

Zoecke wields a wide-bodied

racket and has only one aim in mind - to hit the ball as hard as he possibly can whenever he can. His service, according to Krishnan, matches Becker's for ably can whenever he pace if not, as yet, for accuracy. His problems start when some one returns his service, which the little Indian, a trifle portly now but as deft as ever, did remarkably often.

Krishnan, whose own service is simply a means of getting the ball into play, enjoyed himself hugely, standing a yard behind the baseline and using his speed of eye and band to block the German's huge service. It was like watching a snake charmer. To Zoecke's credit, he was not charmed until the fifth set, which Krishnan won 6-1. Zoecke, from Berlin and the West German indoor cham-

pion, is a player to be avoided on the grass of Wimbledon. Becker apart, it was not a good day for West Germany. Four of their men were beaten, the most surprising loss being Steeb, the tenth seed. He learnt the hard way that reaching the final of a tournament the day before a grand slam is not the

Having beaten Becker and Wilander in the New South Wales Open last week, Steeb was not mentally ready for his match with the lowly ranked Finn, Veli Paloheimo, and lost in five sets.

From Andrew Longmore, Tennis Correspondent, Melbourne "I don't know how I won the sets and I don't know how I lost them. It was a wend match, Steeb said. Coincidentally, to

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continue the theme, Paloheimo's mother comes from Berlin. Yannick Noah, who beat Steeb in the final of the NSW Open last Sunday, needed a large slice of luck to survive against the Yugoslav, Goran Prpic Noah was lacklustre, slow and clearly unsettled by the blustery wind which blew through Flinders Park all day.

in contrast to the exuberance of the previous week, he was as bouncy as a medicine ball. But at break point and 3-0 down in the fifth set, a backhand pass by the Yugoslav clipped the top of the net cord and was deflected

Noah accepted his reprieve, won the next four games, and at least finished off the match in

McEnroe plan for E Berlin

Melbourne (AP) — John McEuroe has a plan to help the people of East Germany, and at the same time help tennis players improve their image. He wants the \$6 million (£3.6 million) Grand Sham Cup held in East Berlin rather than West Germany - with most of the record prize-money going to to Fact Cormuns. "I don't see the necessity of all

that money," he said here yesterday before competing in the Australian Open. McEuros suggested that holding the event in East Berlin would give special similar to the Australian Open. significance to the tourns "The money could be used to belp the situation there."

style by winning the last eight points. Prpic, his right leg heavily strapped, might profitably pay a visit to the African witch doctor who cured Nosh's.

Unlike Steeb, the Frenchman knew precisely the cause of his lifeless display. "It's difficult. You are on a high after winning. a tournament and then, two days later, you have everythin to prove all over again," he said.
"It's what we like about tennis but, when you win, you wish could stay on a high for three weeks. Besides, I don't like getting up early."

Yet even Noah could not

match the great escapes of the Soviets, Andrei Chesnokov and Natalia Zvereva. Zvereva, like Noah, was also suffering from anticlimax after winning her second tournament of the year on Sunday, and was 4-1 down to Nathalic Herremann in the final set before sneaking through.

from a straight sets defeat by Mark Kratzmann. "I was thinking I would be back in Moscow by Tuesday," he said. The thought seemed to appell him because he won the next three

RESULTS FROM MELBOURNE

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WOMEN'S SINGLES: First result: H Kelesi (Car) bt W Probet (WG), 6-2, 6-3; B Pasitus (Austria) bt R Reichtova (C2), 6-3, 6-1; G Sebatini (Arg) bt A Frazier (US), 7-46, 6-1; A Decheurse (Fr) bt K Kschwenes (Lux), 6-4, 7-5; E Smylle (Aus) bt J Hetherington (Car), 6-3, 7-6; E house (Lapan) bt B Bowes (US), 6-3, 7-6; S Appelmans (Bel) bt S Gomer (GB), 6-1, 6-2; J Novotra (C2) bt S Martin (US), 6-7, 6-0, M Bollegraf (Neth) bt A Grossman (US), 6-2, 6-3; H J Fernendez (US) bt M Morton (US), 6-1, 6-2; J Novotra (C2) bt S Morton (CB), 6-1, 6-2; P Thoren (Fin) bt T Scheur-Larson (Den), 3-6, 6-3, 6-1; C Ponesk (WG) bt C Cohen (Sb) bt L Loruri (US), 6-2, 6-3; N Pratt (Aus) bt H Ludion (US), 6-1, 6-2; P Thoren (Fr), 6-1, 6-2; D Van Reneburg (US) bt C Suite (Fr), 6-3, 6-4; T Whitinger (US) bt K Cuertrec (Fr), 6-1, 6-2; D van Reneburg (SA) bt P Ritter (Austria), 6-0, 6-0; H Cloff (US) bt P Ritter (Austria), 6-0, 6-0

BADMINTON

Baddeley is top again The Commonwealth champion,

Steve Baddeley, regains the Anders Nielsen, who achieves No. 1 position in the biannual English rankings, released yesterday, and now shares it with the European champion, Darren Hall, despite having lost to his close rival in the final of the Oracle UK English national championships at Crawley last month (Richard Eaton writes). Baddeley has better results this season than Hall in inter-

Steve Bullet Supping to No. 4.

MEN: equal 1.D Hair (Essex) and 3

Baddeley (Sussex); 3. A Nielsen (Surrey);

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(Yorkshire); equal 10. R Harmsworth
(Essex) and M Brown (Yorkshire);

WOMER: 1. Smith (Surrey); 2. H Troke
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(Surrey); 9.

come through umpires want to dwell on it, but if you [Hughes] copped five in one minutes, Imran had almost

From John Woodcock Melboarne

developed into an absorbing game of cricket. Australia wort it - the first in a three-Test series - by 92 runs, but not before Pakistan had fought most doggedly to deny them.

188 and nine second-innings Pakistan lost with 22 min-A poor batting performance by England's middle-order on utes left, although the umpires could well have allowed play the third day gave away the advantage which had earlier to go on after that, until Australia had completed 90 been won in a match of fluctuatovers on the day. When the last wicket fell, 83 overs had England resumed yesterday at 191 for two, but Keech went at been bowled, and the Pakistan batsmen had let no opportu-204 and then, in the space of 21 nity slip of sending for the overs, the score slipped to 234 for six. Instead of building on pain-killing spray and giving the fine start provided by Gray-son and Crawley, England found themselves not a quick squirt with it but as many long, slow themselves battling to save the ones as they felt they could get

Noon played another cap-tain's innings and it was largely through his determined efforts that the follow-on was avoided Pakistan's resistance was built round a wonderfully good and determined innings of 121 by Ijaz Ahmed, who batted for 7½ hours and was With a first-innings lead of 91 Australia might have been exsent on his way only by a pected to score quickly but their stunning catch. Of the other second innings had a circumfive dismissals in the day, one went to a nice catch at slip by bowled Fraser with a gem of a ball and by close of play they had progressed only as far as 97. Taylor and four to leg-before decisions, all of them in Alderman's favour. **AUSTRALIA YOUNG CRICKETERS: 410**

> It was this that had the Pakistanis near to tears of frustration. No doubt anyone who has played cricket in Pakistan, not least the last Australian side to go there, of whom seven were in the field yesterday, will see it as a form of retribution that some of the Pakistanis could now, themselves, have been the victims of misjudgement.

Thirty-four of Alderman's last 65 Test wickets, six of them in this match, have upholding appeals for leg-before. Yesterday, as in Engwere to have neutrality there

Yet another Test match fin-ished here yesterday with the talk centred as much on the umpiring as on what had would have slipped down the leg side. One can say that, though, only with the benefit of the slow-motion replay, the invention which has made a Test umpire's life virtually Imran Kahn said afterwards

that he would prefer to make no comment on the umpiring. "If I do it will only be taken as an extension of my campaign that we should have a neutral panel. Border said: "It's the same

old story. They [the umpires] have a difficult job. Some decisions may have gone our way, some Pakistan's. I don't over are common. Merv

could be no complaints about home-town decisions." Mercifully, Imran is not integiening to take his s

home as Border wanted to do from Pakistan when Australia were there last. What is incompetence or inexperience in Melbourne can, I suppose, be something else in Faisalabad. Looking for something good to say, Imran praised the pitch. Border, for his part,

thought it gave the bowlers far too much help on the first two days. As for the short-pitched bowling, Border said: "There are a hell of a lot more bouncers being bowled in cricket in general than there used to be. Three or four in an

ver." seen through the morning
But you know that, and I with liaz when Alderman had know that, and the umpires him leg-before in the first over

and the ICC know that; but it with the new ball. Ijaz's only seems to be asking too much chance was to the wicketsimply for the law which aims at preventing it to be invoked. 65. His second Test hundred After Pakistan had been bowled out in their first innings for 107 I would have followed by numerous blows given them no chance whatever of taking Australia right to the tape. There was even a moment yesterday afternoon, while liaz and Yousuf were adding 83 and playing very well, when Pakistan's unimaginable target of 429, more than any side has ever made to win a Test match, came within sight. As Border said, it looked

then as though Pakistan "might pinch a finish". Dropped at long leg after 40

W Indies fast men in form

The senior England party's immersion, at Lillesball last week, in the harrowing experience of facing aggressive fast bowling appears unlikely to be wasted. Reports from the Carib-bean, for which England depart next Wednesday, continue to suggest that neither the plethora of native fast bowlers nor the pitches will afford them much comfort during their 12-week

Ambrose (six for 29 for Lee-ward Islands), and Bishop (five for 28 for Trinidad and Tobago) are already showing impressive form in the Red Stripe Cup. However, if they falter in either fitness or form, there are able men in reserve to make life almost equally unpleasant for England. Eagerly awaiting such a chance are Patterson (five for 59 for Jamaica) and Davis (seven for 57 to help Windward

Islands to their first win in the

competition for four years.)
Two West Ladian last bowlers

yet to find form are Marshall, who missed Barbados's first match with back trouble, and Walsh. The only established Test batsman to bave made a century has been Richardson, who scored an unbeaten 125 in a total of 245 for Leeward Islands against Guyana. Alvin Greenidge, of Barbados,

has become the fourth West Indian to apply for, and receive, a pardon from his board for being a member of an unofficial trur of South Africa. If any of the batsmen in

If any of the batsmen in Gatting's party, that leaves to-morrow for the unauthorized tour of the Republic, feel they have chosen the easier option, they may well be mistaken. The pace there is as bot as it is in the Cariobean. Donald, who plays for Warwickshire and is perhaps South Africa's fastest bowler,

had match figures of nine for 92 for Orange Free State against

Eastern Province, and Meyrick

Western Province beat Natal to qualify for the Currie Cup final. Bowlers have also thrived in New Zealand. Boock, aged 38, the Otago slow left-arm spinner, captured 13 Auckland wickets for 101 (including a career-best eight for 57), while Dave Leon-ard, aged 21, a medium pace bowler, claimed 10 wickets on his first-class debut, for Central Districts against Northern Dis-tricts at Rotorna. Despite Leonard's exertions, and a chanceless

Pringle, who had an unsuccessful spell with Sussex in 1987 and

1988, a return of 10 for 96 a

first ball. V. B. Chandrasekhar, who was preferred to Srikkanth, the deposed captain, as an opener for the India tour of New Zealand which starts next week, got into touch with fluent centuries for South Zone in the semifinal and final of the Duleep

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 BOMLING: Hughes 42-14-79-3 (1rb), Reckenann 38-13-67-0 (1w 4rb), Alderman 33 5-6-105-5 (4rb), Sleep 21-7-64-1 (1w), Wagh 3-0-13.
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round with Lee's athletic young fident style chaser to win again By Mandarin By M

at Ludlow this season, I Like It A Let, from Richard Lee's reliable Herefordshire stable. is napped to make a successful return to the Shropshire track by capturing the Racing Post Novices' Chase qualifier.

When he won there three days before Christmas the feature was his athleticism. He literally ran rings around his opponents, making all the running and jumping like a buck.

Passing the winning post, the judge declared that he had 12 lengths to spare, but it could easily have been double that so much did he have in

In hindsight, the other encouraging factor has been the subsequent performances of those who finished directly

Both the runner-up, Young Nicholas, and Cehic Walk, and a plan p belt in the common at the commo who was third, have injected winning since at Nottingham pointer Thursby. Wolverhampton and respectively.

Prior to that victory, I Like It A Lot had run very well over today's course and distance when runner-up to Gay

The pair were both disqualified from the first two places Tim Forster's Letcombe and Don Keydrop (3.55).

Lynch loses whip appeal See You Then

John Webber's stable jockey
Martin Lynch yesterday lost his
appeal against a two-day
suspension imposed by the
Leicester stewards last Tuesday
for improper riding on Warner's
End, winner of the Breedon
Handiton Cheer.

Handicap Chase.
The Jockey Club's disci-plinary committee confirmed the local stewards findings and de-cided that Lynch had used his whip with unreasonable force and from above shoulder height. They confirmed Lynch's ban, which begins tomorrow, and this will prevent Lynch riding two of Webber's three raiders at downan Park. Auntie Dot and

Richard Lee, who trains the promising I Like It A Lot for taking the wrong course after jumping the last sence a long way ahead of their

When analysed that was a because Gay Edition had by then won six of his previous

So it remains my contention that I Like It A Lot will carry who was third, have injected too many guns now for the substance into the form by talented former point-to-

Von Trappe's confidence must have hit rock bottom after falling in his last two races, and the way looks easier for Baluchi to record his sixth victory on the track by landing Edition in extraordinary the Richards Castle Handicap Chase.

Marradong Brook, from

Telecom Eireann Thyestes Chase, while Elfast competes for the Eircell Peter McCreery Memorial Novicea Handicap Chase. Padge Gill depatises.

The committee also dismissed trainer Graeme Roe's appeal against the Chepstow stewards' decision to leave the placings wachanged in the Yuletide Conditional Jockeys Handicap Hurdle on December 23.

Roe's Pop Song finished sec-

ond to Jenny Pitman's Dan Raise. The committee found that Dan Raise had caused accidental interference to Pop Song, but it had not affected the result. five furlongs in the belief that he is crying out for this sort of

The way that this five-yearold has finished in both his races this season, at Nottingham and Devon and Exeter, has certainly suggested that

this is the case. At Windsor, I like the look of his stable companion Buddington's chance in the EBF Novices' Hurdle

qualifier. His third place at Stratford at Newbury and a creditable second behind Forest Sun at Sandown since, was a promis-

pretty fair performance on I only just touched off by Hope Like It A Lot's part too, Diamond in the West Country last time out after winning his two previous races at Towcester and Kempton, can regain the winning trail by landing the Royal Windsor Handicap Chase.

On the all-weather surface at Lingfield, it should pay to follow the Epsom trainer Brooke Sanders and her jockey Dale McKeown again. Only last Friday the pair landed their first ever treble there and now they return with evident prospects of adding to that tally by landing a double with Big Finish (1.25)

cut to 12-1

ers believe that See You Then can win a fourth Champion Hurdle. He was the best backed of the contenders with Hills yesterday, and is now a 12-1 chance from 16-1. Beech Road

The Ladbroke at the weekend, Man, 6-1 Vayrua, 8-1 Kadan, 10-1 Tancred Sand, Without A

LINGFIELD PARK Selections

By Mandarin 1.25 Big Finish. 1.55 Aconitum. 2.25 Cone Lane. 2.55 Plaza Gizon. 3.25 La Castana. 3.55 Don Keydrop.

1.25 REPULSE NOVICES HANDICAP HURDLE (£1.618: 2m 4f) (5 runners) 1 46-1 BIG FRESH 9 (CD) Miss B Senders 5-12-3 (7ex)

Going: standard

4 5-00 SHARPFORD 7 (5) D Browning 5-10-11 J Almburst 5-PFP GREAT STANDS BY 16 P Butter 6-10-0 R Stronge 1-6 Big Finish, 7-1 Casino Magic, 14-1 Grand Calebrat 16-1 Sharpford, 25-1 Grant Stands By. 1.55 RENOWN CLAIMING HURDLE (21,702: 2m) (6

1 680- ACONSTURE OF (D.S) J Juntima 9-12-0 M Ahem (D)
2 P-0 SHOKRAM 7 (B) R Stepach 5-11-11 D Carllegher
3 P DEEP WATER BAY 68 B McMath 6-11-5 A Carrell
4 0P-2 GENERAL SILKY 9 N Categinan 5-11-5 B Keightley
5 80 KMO OF MARGE 18 (B) A Jones 5-11-3 R Genet

2.25 THORNFIELD SECURITIES HANDICAP HUR-1 1492 OPERATIC SCORE 9 (D.F.G) J Jankins 6-12-0

3-1 Operatio Score, 3-1 Baby Boy, 4-1 Muritel, 6-1 Cone Lace, 8-1 African Safari, 10-1 Chief Rumer.

2.55 HOOD NOVICES HURDLE (21,548: 2m 4f) (3) 1 3112 PLAZA GIZON 14 (COJEF.P) Junkins 5-12-4 III Abern 2 0PSP DENTOSS 7 J Elloti 9-11-0 R Goust 3 02 L'AQUELO 16 M Jarvis 5-10-9 S Keightley 1-2 Pleza Gizon, 5-2 L'Aquino, 5-1 Denros

15-8 La Castana, 7-2 Pontevecchio Sella, 4-1 Mister I son, 6-1 Ceroles Clown, 8-1 Woodlande Glen, 10-1 others.

1 120P MY NEW HEST FRIEND 22 (V,D,F) R Loo 6-12-0

JOCKEYS: Date McKeown, 17 from 52, 32.7%; A Guest, 3 from 16, 18.8%; A Adums, 3 from 17, 17.6%. (Only qualifiers).

Results from yesterday's four meetings

Worcester

Going: soft (home straight heavy)
1.30 (2m 4/ hole) 1, HARBOUR WALK
(C Liswayn, 8-1); 2, Bertin (N Mann, 501); 3, Purbeck Dove (S Earle, 100-1);
4LSO RAN: 8-11 fav Local Whisper, 6
Eusen's Chaptain (bd), 8 kychurch, 12
Rosell Champ (un', 16 G W Superstar (4th),
20 Kitch (Koo (f), 40 Tagmoun Chaustur
(pu), 50 Master Wellem (f), Ring Russell,
66 Sold Haven, Palsos Ganderis, Postlebury (bd), Shy Mistress (f), Singaletto (pu),
100 is Rigg in (6th), Monastic Calm (pu),
Reno's Cuest (pu), Sharp Shape (5th),
Miss Stockin (pu), 22 ran, 41, 81, 191, 31,
dist. T Forster at Wastage, Tots: 216.80;
23.30, 22.70, 211.30. DF: 257.00. CSF:

2.9 (2m ch) 1, RANDOM ROMANCE (R)
Durwoody, 16-1): 2, Setter Country (W
Irvins, 9-2): 3, Roscott (Mr B Clifford, 201), ALSO RAN: 4-6 fav Blue Reinfordow (4th),
11 Fare Luch (6th), 12 Minim (5th), 20
Kellyans, 33 Cape Marton (url, Rondieau
(f), Scarlet Dymond, 50 Worthy Light, 11
ran, 2, 2, 8, 174, 71, D Nicholson et Stoveon-the-Wold, Tote: 212-70: 23.80, 21-50,
22.70, DR: 240,30, CSR: 251-59.

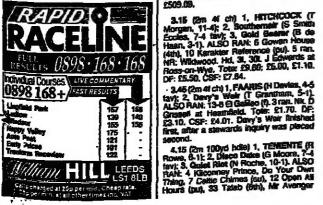
22.70. DF: 240.430. CSF: 281.59.

2.30 (2m of hose) 1, AUK EYE (A Charlion, 5-2; 2, Tag OY Gold (R Dunwoody, Evens fant); 3, Golden Shoon (P Verling, 50-1), ALSO RAN: 6 Brimstone HB (4th), 14 in Order (pu), Anhaar (5th), 20 Heloohum (pu), 25 Travel Gaf (pu), 33 Galley Song (pu), Welsh Mension (pu), 10 fan. NR: Cohedi Park, Lough Road, Fit For Couned: 1141, 30, dat, 12; K White at Jeton Munsiow. Tote: 24.50; £1.20, £1.2

3.0 (3m ch) 1, HUNTWORTH (Mr A Water, 5-1); 2, Blandhald Shuffle (M Richards, 10-1); 3, Johns Present (N Mann, 5-1), ALSO RAN: 5-2 Ferm Week (8th), 7 Comra (pu), 10 Fet Climb (5th), 14 Whany Burn (4th), 20 Bird Of Spirit (pu), Plannan (pu), The Buckwheat (pu), 25 Bayram (pu), Spring Pauper, Scale Model (pu), 13 zen, 3, 14, 214, 11, 51 NR: Just For The Crack, David's Tressure, Mr Penterton, M. Pipe at Weilington, Tote: 28.70; 23.50, 21.90, 22.50, 01; 238.50, CSF: 251.60, Tricast: 2238.46, 3.20 (2m cN), 1.CLASSEY BOY (P Sci-

3.30 (Sm cit) 1, CLASSEY BOY (P Scudamors, 9-2); 2, Express Air (W McFarland, 9-2); 3, Stream Bridge (M Richards, 13-8 fat), ALSO RAN: 100-30 Tropical Met (pu), 11 Coppett Song (6th), 16 Dar-

35 A. W.



ton FI (5th), 33 in Contention (f), 50 Much-grange (4th), 8 ren. 2%1, 25, 31, 201, 12. G Hern at Asbridge. Tota: £4.40; £1.90, £1.40, £7.40, DF: £14.70, CSF: £23.56, Tricest: £31.52. Tricase 141.52.

4.9 (2m hdie) 1, DOC'S COAT (8 Wright, 4.9 (2m hdie) 1, DOC'S COAT (8 Wright, 5-4 fav); 2, Capulet (J Shortt, 16-1); 3, Blain (Mr E Balley, 4-1). ALSO HAN: 7-2 Owen (5th); 9 Old Klipasrick, 14 Genobra (pul, 16 Ballon Metody (8th), 20 Pondered Bid (4th), 250 Tudor Romanoe. 9 ran. Hd. 201, 53. 25. C Wildmann at Salisbury. Tote: 52.20; 51.10, 54.70, 52.60. OF: 529.50, CSF: 520.58. Tricast: 263.08.

Placepot: £179.90

Folkestone Geing: good to soft (ch); soft (holes)

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1.15 (2m 100)d hdie) 1, SHARPGUN (J. Alesturst, 3-1); 2, Brown Pepper (J. Lesch, 8-15 fav); 3, Fighting Days (G. Moore, 20-1), ALSO RAN: 11-2 Tempered Point (4th), 12 Counter Tenor (pu), 5 ram, NR: Society Quest, 3, dist, dist. V Young at Heatings, Total: 23,70; 21.10, 21.10, DF; 21.80. CSP; 25.26.

15.26.

1.45 (2m 6f holle) 1, STATELY LOVER (H. Devies, 10-1); 2, Victory Gate (G. Moors, 7-1); 3, Clare Citizen (T. Morgen, 5-4 fev). ALSO RAR: 11-4 Height Of Fun (56), 12 Excritions (4m), Kreen king (pu), 25 Brave Setente, 33 Bustaments (8m), Smayman, 50 Ethiopian King (pu), Farmer's Tosas (pu), Kokoschila (pu), Lucifer Light (pu), Parnoclus, 14 ran. RR: Gota's Imp. NK, 12, 8, 121, 101. O Grissell at Heethield. Tota: 95.50: £74.84.

CSF: 242.09.

2.45 (2m 4f ct) 1. BETTY'S PEARL.
(Miss A Hanwood, 2-1 tav); 2. Roadder
(Mis P Nash, 12-1); 3. Borenes (Mr A
Walsh, 33-1), ALSO RAN-9-4 Shamposer
(pu), 4 Judgment Day (f), 10 Broken Flight
(pd), 25 Mester Of Shame (pu), 33 Shaheat
(ur), 6 nan, 251, dist. G Hanwood at
Pulborough, Total: E3.10; E1.50, E2.90,
E5.20, DF; E15.00, CSF; £21.94. Tricast;
£509.09.

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3.15 (2m 4f ch) 1. HETCHCOCK (T Morgan, 11-4); 2. Southerneit (S Smith Ecoles, 7-4 fav); 3. Gold Bearnr (B de Haan, 3-1); ALSO RAN: 6 Gowen House (4th), 10 Kerakter Reference (50). 5 fan. MR: Wildwood, Hd. 31, 30t. J Edwards at Ross-on-Wye, Tota: 29.66; 25.00, 21.19. DF: 25.50. CSF: 27.84.

3.45 (2m 4f ch) 1, FAARIS (H Devias, 4-5 tav); 2. Devy's Weir (T Grantham, 5-1); ALSO RAN: 13-8 E Gailão (P. 3 ran. Nt. D Grassel at Heartheld, Tote: 21.70. DF: 23.10. CSF: 24.01. Devy's Weir Rhished first, after a stewards inquiry was pleced second.

ot 227.80.

Sedgefield

12.45 (2m indis) 1, Step Amalos (M Dwyer, 2-1 tav); 2, Cara Mulfin (7-1); 3, Falfa (3-1), 11 ran. 6, 1%, J J O'Nell, Tota: 23.20; 21.80, 23.80, 21.50, DF. 210.50, CSF: 218.28, Tricest: 242.76, 1.15 (2m hdls) 1, Winged Foot (N Smith, 5-2); 2, Topsoli (7-4 tav); 3, Primrose Star (4-1), 9 nm. NR: Beliepheron. 4I, 5J. J. Periess. Tota: 22.80; 21.50; 21.40, 21.60. DF: 22.90, CSF: £7.15. Tricast: 214.48. 1.46 (3m 21 160yd ch) 1, Rittle Range (G Bradley, 2-5 fav); 2, River House (3-1); 3, Lake Valentins (12-1), 9 (3m. %), dist. 7 Tats. Tots: 21, 50; 21, 20, 21, 20, 22, 20. DF: 22, 20, CSP: 22, 27. EZ.20. GSF; 22.27.
2.15 (2m, 4f ch) 1, Captain Mor (C Grant, 10-1); 2, Sword Beach (8-11 fav); 3, Almondoury (12-1). 4 ran. 8t, 10L W A Stephenson, Tote: 99.70. DF; 23.00. GSF; 27.77.

2.45 (2m ch) 1, Sprinsbased (L Wyer, 3-1); 2, Mr Therm (33-1); 3, Kevinstort (5-2); Tiptonian 2-1 law, 5 mm, 5t, hd. M H Easterby, Totale 23.00; 21.50, 95.40, 21.10. DF: 2129.30, CSF: 253.40 DF: £129.30, CSF: £53.40.

3.15 (2n: 4f hole) 1, *Tritinal Ruler* (6 McCourt, 9-2); 2, Smilina Venture* (11-8 tar); 3, Concert Paper (7-1), 14 ran. NR: Ancient Cross. 41, 12. 0 McCouln. Totac £4.90; £1.40, £1.50, £1.80. DF: £5.10. CSF: £11.50.

3.45 (2m: 4f hole) 1, Flying Dancer* (G Bradley, 11-2); 2, Green Archer* (11-2); 3, Festive Flying (6-1). Dark Emperor* 9-4 law. 7 ran. 71, 251. B McLean. Totac £5.60; £2.30, £2.00. DF: £22.30. CSF: £32.32.

Southwell

Going: stendard

1.10 (2m) 1, Turtique Turint (W Nowme,
52 |s-law); 2, Eurocon (5-1); 3, Subuk (5-2
|s-law); 11 ran, 81, %1. J Duniop. Totac
53.60; 51.50, 21.80, 52.70. DF: 64.80.
CSF: £15.04. Tricost: £30.84.

1.40 (67) 1, Yukosam (J Culum, 4-1); 2,
Agree Hult (14-1); 3, Swing North (6-15
tax), 9 ran, Nik, sh hd. Ron Thompson.
Tota: £5.50; £1.30, £3.20, £1.00. DF:
£44.50, CSF: £52.52.
2.10 (77) 1, Broston Cross (Alax
Greeves, 7-2); 2, Gothis Ford (6-1); 3,
Coltimin (25-1), Eviclistar 5-2 faw, 11 ran,
Hd. 1%1. T Berron. Tota: £5.70; £1.90,
£2.20, £11.10. DF: £34.70, CSF: £26.31,
Tricost: £428.05. After a situatered impairy.

Tricost 2420.15. Artist a minimum artist. Fin resolt stands.

2.40 (1m) 1, Give in (Alax Greevee, 2-5 tay); 2, Big Surprise (9-4); 3, Miss Kolyacii (16-1). 3 ran. 14. 25. Mrs. N. Macadely. Tota: \$1.40. DF: \$1.50. CSF: \$1.58.

Tota: E7.40. DF: £1.50. CSF: £1.59.
3.10 (1m 30) 1. Meestand Boll (R Lappin, 2-1 fav); 2. Rugners (10-1); 3. Drag Artisz (12-1). 16 ran, Nk, 4l. P Calver. Tota: £4.80; £1.50, £2.40, £4.90. DF: £10.10.
CSF: £25.86.
3.40 (5) 1. Aagshad (K Fallon, 5-1); 2. Sully's Choice (8-1); 3. Farmer Jock (10-1); 4. Paper Shoes (16-1). Hindri Video 3-1 fav. 16 ran. Hd. ½ Ind. T Cessy. Tota: £5.10; £4.10, £2.60, £2.90, £1.50. DF: £148.20. CSF: £47.27. Theast: £388.25.

Pipe's vet has cause for celebration

from the start there was some-

thing that stood out about him,

his dedication, powers of org-anisation and attention to

The trainer was not at

would be sent to Haydock on

Saturday for the Peter Marsh

keep us in the hunt for the £25,000 bonus," said the train-

er's right-hand man. "Milford

Quay will probably take on Beech Road in the Champion

"He has got to be placed to

detail."

Racing Correspondent

cess when Classey Boy, the least fancied of Gerald Ham's two

runners, proved too strong for Express Air in the EBF Inter-

mediate Handicap Chase. Huntworth, now the winner

of three of his seven races this

scason, is owned by Pipe's chief veterinary surgeon, Bill Walter, the father of the winning rider. "The plan was for me to take

and the plan was for me to take him home for a rest," he said. "I was going to take him out with the South Dorset Hunt, but there might have to be a

No-one could possibly know

Pipe better than his vet and

commenting on the trainer's

3.00 Mister Feathers.

3.30 Watersmeet Down.

___ X Mooney 71 ____ J White 6 99 ___ D Murphy ___ __ J Lench (5) 85 ____ L Harvey ___

... M Lynch

vicusly SI 3rd to Able Leader at Plumpton (2m, son) with SILK DYNASTY (same terms) 26/7th OTTERBURN (same terms) 3/8/th and NEEHA (same terms) 3/8/th and NEEHA (same terms) 10/1. VARIAN (SAME CORE TOWN) LAD Smithed 13/1. 4th of 17 to Lissahune Lase at Leosster (2m, good) with CORE MALLEY (same terms) 10/th. VARIALY PERCEPTIVE ran on well to beat June's Fancy at Luciow (2m, firm) on penultimate stort.

Selection: SADRARHAMI

the season when beating SOLENT LAD (30 beater off) 31 over today's course and distance. COPPER STREAK finished a 12 7th of 13 to Boca Chimes here over 2m 61 good).

ST WILLIAM, is in good form, best Member's Revenge 151 in a 9-number race at Plumpton (2m, soit).

Selection: ST WILLIAM

SASAKI RIVER looked the likely wirner when lasing at the last in a race won by General Giory at Newbury (2m 100yd, good). SABLORS LUCK was never far off the pace when 71 2nd to Do Be Brief at Towerstar (2m, good) on penulimete etant. VILLA BECOS made a bad mistake at the last when 111/H 44h to Obelief at Wolverhampton (2m, good) with ADROBETOS (same terms) besten when falling at the same flight.

Selection: BLODSHATTOS

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WINDSOR

Selections

By Mandarin

. By Michael Seely

3.00 Mister Feathers, 4.00 VERSATILE,

Going: good to firm, straight good (chase course); good (hurdles)

SETTING: 15-8 Cockstown Lad, 4-1 Seattle Pride, 6-1 Petiticoet Power, 15-2 Otterburn, 8-1 Vaigly Per-tive, 10-1 Clevedon House, 12-1 Sonseto, 14-1 others.

1968: WONDER MAN 4-10-10 M Bowley (11-2) Mrs J Pleman 21 ran

1988: SOHAIL 6-11-0 K Burks (9-2) J White 7 ran

2.30 EBF NOVICES HURDLE (Qualifier: £1,730; 2m 30yd) (13 runners)

000-12 M I BABE 22 (F) (DUBF) (T Key) Mrs I Mickle 5-11-5
F ADROMITOS 9 (Mrs B Curley) B Curley 7-11-0
3 BUDDINGTOM 29 (S Sainsbury) T Forser 5-11-0
346- CLEVER DICK 286 (Mrs P Donkin) D Grissell 5-11-0
8-04 JUST PATRISMONY 28 (Mrs F Langton) O Sherwood 6-11-0
LITTLE TOM (M O'Connor) J King 5-11-0
2- NO BONGS 346 (BF) (J O'Neal) D Marray Smith 5-11-0
PAYLINS (S Sainsbury) T Forser 6-11-0

1.36 RAYS NOVICES HURDLE (4-Y-O: £1,842: 2m 30yd) (19 runners)

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19 MARCH ON 25 (6) (0) (Miss D Smyth) Pt Smyth 11-3

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3F BADRARHAM 11 (W Fingen) M Henderson 10-10

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FO COME HALLEY 8 (Lignale Ltd) Pt Boss 10-10

P JUST SEVINDUM 9 (Brian Galbey Ltd) B Gusby 10-10

LEIDEN 20F (A Goodman) W Perrin 10-10

3P MESTER CODY 32 (Y Tjods) J Ring 10-10

O TITERBURN 20 (D Ben) Pt O'Salbern 10-10

FO PRESENT TRAES 13 (Stud Power Ltd) K Wingrove 10-10

SEATTLE PRIDE 68F (Miss J Wootlor) M Tomphins 10-10

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FO SILK DYNASTY 20 Julies V Main) M Francis 10-10

FRANCIS ROSE 9 (Miss V Miss) M Francis 10-10

O FRANCIS ROSE 9 (Miss F Fink) B Stevens 10-5

2.0 DATCHET HANDICAP CHASE (£2,607: 2m 40yd) (7 runners)

After an afternoon of mixed conditions at Worcester yes-terday, Martin Pipe and Peter Scudamore emerged from the battle of the mud with one winner apiece.

The season's top team enjoyed no luck in the Tattersall Mares Only Qualifier when Blue Rainbow could finish only fourth behind the Richard Dentaroods video winner Pan-Dunwoody-ridden winner, Ran-

dom Romance.
Pipe's solitary success came
when Alan Walter rode Huntworth to a game victory under top weight in the Save &

1.30 Badrakhani

2.00 Lord Admiral, 2.30 Buddington.

FORM FOCUS MARCH ON pulled up behind Crystal Heights at Chepstow (2m, soit; serier best Oriester 71 of Kempton (2m, good) with AMSTER ODDY (7tb better off) 251/37d and SOMSETD (series Series) 22/3/3 further back in 10th.

SOMEETO subsequently won on the all-weather at Lingfield (2m) by 151 from Windsor Park, BADRAKHAMI fall 3 out when 3rd in a race won by New Arrangement at Sandown (2m, good); pre-

FORM FOCUS MASTER VINCE was slowly away and never near to challenge when 30% 4th to Solitary Response t Lingsled (2m., standard). BSNDICKS sprang a surprise when beging Exercise 6 when the lawoutle tell at the last with the race won at Chemother (2m. and the last with the race won at

Chepstow (2m, solf).

LORD ADMIRAL recorded his second success of

behind Atlaal, a winner before ing beginning.
Mister Feathers, who was

remains the 5-2 favourite.

Corals make Osric, seventh in

the 2-I favourite for the Bio Razor Lanzarote Handicap Hurdle at Kempton on Sat-urday. Other prices: 7-2 Wonder

3.25 VANGUARD NOVICES HURDLE (4-Y-O: £1,590: 2m) (9)

3.55 WARSPITE HANDICAP HURDLE (£1,733: 3m)

FORM FOCUS MI BABE best Major Effort a short-head in a 16-runner event at Humangdon (2m 160yd, good to 2m) on perusiannate start; istant 54 2nd of 13 to Distant Relation at Wincamon (2m, good).

BUDDINGTON put up a promising effort to finish 3%! 3nd to Adasi at Strationd (2m, good) on his debut. Sure to Improve. JUST PATHIBLORY could only find one pace when 6! 4th to Plus To Form at Luction (2m, good).

Course specialists

TRADERS: Mas 8 Sanders, 4 winners from 15 runners, 28.7%; J Mrs. J Phman, 8 from 41, 19.5%; C Wildman, 3 from 18, 16.7%; J Jenions, 8 from 56, 13.8%, (Only qualifiers).

LUDLOW Selections

BETTING: 9-4 VIIIa Recoe, S-1 Just Patrimony, 7-2 M J Babe, 9-2 Buddington, 6-1 Total Linking, 10-1 Sabald River, 15-1 others.

1989: BIQ DIAMOND 5-11-0 R Campbel (5-1) I Campbell 16 ran

2.45 Recidivist. 1.15 Air Commander. 3.15 Baluchi. 3.45 Marradong Brook. 1.45 Lady Lax. 2.151 LIKE IT A LOT (nap).

By Mandarin

Michael Seely's selection: 1.15 Air Commander. The Times Private Handicapper's top rating: 3.45 MONARU.

Going: good to firm 1.15 WISTANSTOW NOVICES HURDLE (\$2,024: 2m) (18 runners)

1.15 WISTANSTOW NOVICES HURDLE (\$2,024: 2m) (18 runs)

3 ARI CORMANDEN 48 (D Knox) O Sherwood 5-11-0...

90 ALPHAN PINCE 27 (Mrs. J Black) J Edwards 5-11-0...

4 CREAM AND GREEN 32F (Andre Ltd) K White 6-11-0...

5 00000 GRAND CHANCE 62F (G Richards) Graviville Richards 7-11-0...

7 UF-02SP RAMBLING WILD 44 (5) (G Roberts) K White 8-11-0...

8 1/2 RUN AGAIN 15 (Are 8 Burney) M Bradetock 5-11-0...

9 40 SAADOUN 6 (T Crowson Jury Mrs. P Sty 7-11-0...

10 323/9-3 SANTO BOY 16 (J Rose) J Glover 7-11-0...

11 245-30 SHARDIN'S ROYALE 8 (A Jones) A Jones 7-11-0...

12 SLICE OFTHE ACTION (Roach Foods Ltd) C Roach 7-11-0...

13 P-250 SQUEEZE PLAY 6 (Pel-mail Partners) A Turnel 5-11-0...

14 4900P WILL'S BOUNTY 18 (F) (iins T Willers) J Colston 7-11-0...

15 P BRARGUEESH 872 (B Port) W Morris 6-10-8...

16 0- MARBIA MEDIE 458 (6 MecDonald) C Broad 6-10-9...

17 0- PROYA'S GRIB. 35 (K Over) K Owen 6-10-9...

18 0000-40 LIMBERE LA GERL 8 (Mrs. C Commit A Janose 6-10-0...

BETTING: 5-2 Run Again, 4-1 Air Committee, 5-1 Nathen Blake, 7-1 Sa _____ J Oubome #6 _____ T Horgan ___ . Mr D McCain (7) 82 _____ T Wall ___ 82 R Danwoody ... A Charlton G Bradley J Shortt
J Shortt
G McCourt
C Smith
B Wright E Tierrey (7) BETTING: 5-2 Run Again, 4-1 Air Commander, 5-1 Nathan Blais, 7-1 Santo Boy, 10-1 Sharon's Roy 14-1 Squates Play, 20-1 War's Bounty, 25-1 others. 1989: FAIRFRELDS COME 5-10-12 M Jones (3-1) R Dickin 18 ran 1.45 CHURCH STRETTON CONDITIONAL JOCKEYS SELLING HURDLE (£1,828: 2m)

1 8 ALVECOTE MAGNC 26 (D Collins) D Wintle 6-11-7 2 DMU-FPP CAPTAIN MAY 4 (Mins N Taylor) R Peacook 6-11-7 3 000 CARALUSEN 26 (SINCESSE) R Page 10 B Progeo 6-11-7 4 000-000 GOLFER'S SINFRISE 1SF (R Taylor) K White 5-11-7 ... R Bellanny Carry Lycos V Smith P Harley 87

V Stattery —

R Supple 91

M Jackson —

A Notellan 56 . W Irvine @ 99 W Hayes ---BETTING: 11-4 Jacieballe, 4-1 Lady Lax, 6-1 Sulley Tendry, 7-1 Flying, 8-1 Carjujan, 10-1 Orienzai Dream, 14-1 Golfer's Surrise, 20-1 others.

2.15 RACING POST NOVICES CHASE (Qualifier: £3,025: 2m 4f) (11 runners)

1669: FORCELLO 5-11-7 S Hadgeon (Evens fav) G Balding 19 nan

1968: NO CORRESPONDING RACE **Course specialists**

Fides Per cent 5 50.0 16 25.0 17 23.5 108 21.3 25 20.0 40 17.5

Prosper Handicap Chase. extraordinary success and their Scudamore finally tasted suc- 20-year partnership. Walter probably go for the Premier Long Distance Hurdle." said: "I've known Martin since his point-to-point days. And

However, Toby Balding said that the reigning champion is not yet a certain runner on the Lancashire track. "If there's no rain we might keep him for Cheltenham, as the Haydock going will be too sticky." Worcester, but Chester Barnes said that Rusch De Farges

During the afternoon Balding was talking to Peter Bolton, the property developer. But later, the owner of Whitcombe Manor Stables said: "All this talk is very premature. All the balls are still up in the air. I've got 10 trainers on my short-list including an American." David Elsworth was at Belvoir Foxhounds.

1 113143 GOOD TIMES 13 (BF.F.(3.S) (Mrs D Robinson) B Halt 12-0 ...

per run in the opening Bransford Novices' Hurdle (Div 1). But after the 11-8 on favourite had finished unplaced behind Harbour Walk, the trainer said: "That was very disappointing and be clearly didn't give his running.

"As far as Desert Orchid is concerned, I'm very pleased with him. He's over the cough and going on well. If anything, he could have benefited from the rest."

Tim Forster trains Harbour Walk, who had previously won at Nottingham, for Anne Reid-Scott, a former master of the

Guide to our in-line racecard

Racocard number. Six-figure form (F-fall.) distance winner. BF beaten favourite in F - pulled up. U - unsested rider. B - brought down. S - slipped up. R - refused. U - first plant U - visc. U - honor U - visc. U - honor U - visc. U - honor U - U - visc. U - honor U - visc. U - honor U - visc. U -

3.0 ROYAL WINDSOR HANDICAP CHASE (£2,905: 2m 5f) (8 runners) B de Hann — T Barry (7) • 99 M Richards or W Morris — Long handless: Kashil 8-10, Strictly Business 9-2, Mass Conneil 9-1, Aleden 8-8.

BETTING: 7-4 Misser Feethers, 4-1 Larry C, 5-1 Termino, 6-1 Keehill, 10-1 Problem Child, 12-1 Strictly sness, 18-3 Mose Conneil, 25-1 Aleden. 1989: KASHILL, 11-18-0 B Powell (12-1) Mrs J Retter 6 ran

FORM FOCUS LARRY-O pulled up on his first start for over 16 months in the race won by Zulio at Kempton (3m. good): previously best Mount Oliver 30l at Herisland (3m 11, good to firm).

In the recent effort of 15 to Goodman Point at Herisland (3m 11, good to firm).

In the recent effort 1241 and of 5 to Senous Man at Eyre 2% at Towcester (2m 50yd, good). TAMINO 201 2nd of 6 to Stream Bridge heri (3m, good to firm). Is

Selection: Wister FEATHERS

3.30 WINDLESHAM NOVICES HANDICAP CHASE (52,524: 3m) (15 runners) 4FURZI BRIDGETOWN LAD 516 (V Raibel) J McConnochie 9-11-7
5 33SU1F WATERSMEET DOWN 46 (F) (B,D) (R Wright) P Hobbs 7-11-5
5 78-625 PADDY'S POND 25 (C Dodson) G Ham 12-11-4
7 55-80S3 ANOTHER SEEKER 26 (F,Q,S) (B) (R Bratelo) C Pophem 8-11-3
6 C2-00F3 THE DOORMAKER 20 (A Harvey Lad Madeninead) T Forser 8-11-0
9 30/SP4 NO POLITICS 12 (M Ward-Thomas) T Forser 10-10-13
10 2P3P/0P GALTERO 8 (G) (V) (Miss N Harvey) A J Wilson 8-10-12
11 FP0822 RHODE ISLAND RED 19 (F,Q,S) (D) (J Bruton) A Moore 7-10-10
12 FF0879 BARA PEG 19 (S) (D Smith) T Jones 9-10-10
13 08-4333 MERYETT 18 (M National-Crocker) J White 6-10-10
14 F42-RSD AMETICA 19 (Lsdy Balley) T Balley 8-10-8
15 05-4422 LOVER BRL 19 (B) (D P Srown) M Wilson 8-10-8
BETTING: 3-1 Lover St. 100-30 San Duec. 4-1 Young Nicholes, 5-1 The Doorm 4FUS2/ BRIDGETOWN LAD 816 (V Raibet) J McConnectio 9-11-7 J Railton (3) M Furlang Skyrme (5)

BETTING: 3-1 Lover Bill, 100-30 San Dvac, 4-1 Young Nicholes, 5-1 The Doormaker, 5-1 Jazzy Jumper, 8-1 Meryett, 14-1 Paddy's Pond, 16-1 others. 1989: SUNYDAZE 8-10-8 M Richards (9-4 lav) P Hedger 14 ran

YOUNG NICHOLAS easily best Greenore Pride 81 at Notangham (2m 64, good); previously 121 2nd of 16 to I Like it Alot at Ludiaw (2m 44, good) with GALTERIO (6tb better off) 481 8th and THE DOORMAKER (6tb better off) fell 3 from home when in mid-fait.

FORM FOCUS SAN OYAC made mistakes when 38t 4th of 8 to Shipwright at Cheltenhern (3m, good) with MATERSMEET DOWN put up best effort when 38t 4th of 8 to Shipwright at Cheltenhern (3m, good) with WATERSMEET DOWN (7to worse off) unsessed and AMETHEA (1to worse off) infused at the last.

YOUNG MICHOLAS essay beat Greenore Price 8t at Notingham (2m 6t, good); previously head 2nd ot 8 to Greenbank, Park to 1 Like it Alot at Ludlow (2m 4t, good) with SARA PEG (4to better off) 48t 8th and THE GALTERIO (5to better off) 48t 8th and THE DOORSMAKER (6to better off) 18th 3 from home when it mid-falls (2to better off) 19th 3 from home when it mid-

4.0 JANUARY HANDICAP HURDLE (52,092: 2m 30yd) (13 runners)

Long handicap: Xylophone 9-11, Ta Wardle 9-10, Treasure Lord 9-10, Corbelly Bess 9-9, Decreto 9-9.

BETTING: 3-1 Kings Victory, 5-1 Controlled Exercise, 6-1 Director's Choice, Wer Child, 6-1 Coire Vernich, Zegszig, 10-1 Ta Wardie, 20-1 Decreto, 25-1 Johnsons, 33-1 others.

1983: OPERATIC SCORE 5-10-7 S Sherwood (4-1) J Jenkins 16 ram

FORM FOCUS COMBINED EXCERCISE disappointed last time; previously 42 2nd of 11 to Good Cause at Fortwell (2m 2t, nearly) with CORRALLY BESS (12to better off) over 291 9th.

ZAGAZIG 431 6th of 12 to Interplay at Plumpton (2m 41, good); praviously best Plumcy 3-1 at Huntingdon (2m 190yd, good to soft) but wat subsequently placed second. VERSATELE, has been disappoint.

ing this season, nes claims on his 277 6th of 11 for Young Benz at Liverpool (2m. both) last season. DRECTORS' CHOICE 35 6th of 17 to Tilt Tech Fiyer at Folkestone (2m. 100yd, soft); previously beat Muharlaf 8 at Plumpton (2m. good to firm). COIRE VANBICH best effort when 121 5th of 15 to Regardless at Utboxeter (2m. 41, good to soft) last season. WAR CHELD 65/6 and of 9 to Panel Geme at Plumpton (2m. heavy). Selection: ZAGAZIG

Course specialists

2.45 WELSHPOOL CLAIMING HURDLE (£2,184: 2m) (14 runners)

00-9 MINIDECOLA 79 (J Pitter) B Prece 5-12-0 4P-6281 PATRICK JANES 16 (ID) (D Word) F Jordan 5-11-13 926-9 MARDOOD 9 (J Pitter) J Pitter 5-11-9 65 DERRY RHYTHM 16 (A Byrne) P Burgoyne 5-11-5 55 PARP ORDER 26 (D.B.F.P) (B Molloy) Mas S Wilson 5-11-5 60 EMMA TOM BAY 8 (Mrs B Waring) Mrs B Waring 5-11-3 55 CLARE'S DELIGHT 327 (J Barnes) B Morgan 5-11-1 55 CLARE'S DELIGHT 327 (J Barnes) B Morgan 5-11-1 55 CLARE'S DELIGHT 327 (J Barnes) B Morgan 5-11-1 55 CLARE'S DELIGHT 327 (J Barnes) B Morgan 5-11-1 55 CLARE'S DELIGHT 327 (J Barnes) B Morgan 5-11-1 55 CLARE'S DELIGHT 327 (J Barnes) B Morgan 5-11-1 55 CLARES DELIGHT 327 (J BARNES DELIGHT 327 B Dowling # 99 G NeCourt
J Robson
C Prince (7) idgweter (7) . H Menn (7) . S J D'Neill

3.15 RICHARDS CASTLE HANDICAP CHASE (£3,345: 3m) (5 runners)

Gary Lyons (5) @ 99

3.45 OTELEY NOVICES HANDICAP HURDLE (£2,206: 2m 5f) (18 runners) 3.45 OTELEY NOVICES HANDICAP HURDLE (£2,206: 2m 5f)

1 049-003 FAIR AGNES 9 (S Griffers) S Griffers 6-12-0

2 09330- FAIRICOTE AIR 291 (Miss S Pred) Mrs 41 Perrott 8-11-10

3 6450-4 BEECH PARK 22 (J Morris) D Nicholson 6-11-8

4 44-022 HIGH CHATEAU 6 (BP) (M Liley) J Spearing 6-11-7

5 0-4983 TRIBAL MASCOT 14 (P) (W Dore) D Gardolfo 5-11-7

6 00-3 BIG OSCAR 56 (Pel-mail Partners) K Belley 7-11-6

00-3 BIG OSCAR 56 (Pel-mail Partners) K Belley 7-11-6

00-3 BIG OSCAR 56 (Pel-mail Partners) K Belley 7-11-6

11 2 MONARU 19 (V.F.G) (R Merodin) M Ppe 4-11-3

12 12 MONARU 19 (V.F.G) (R Merodin) M Ppe 4-11-3

13 05-00 SRY HIKER 22 (M Libey) R Dickin 7-11-2

14 203-95 LEGAL COIN 22 (B Moseley) K White 6-11-1

15 022/00F SPAR LADY 9 (B) (A Moglord) J Enteri 7-10-13

16 8064-09 GUARRIM 51 (Mrs A Holly) D Holly 5-10-8

17 PEPP-42 SCOTS LAD 12 (F) (W Sieeman) D Jermy 9-10-3

18 F-6990 EL POLITICASTRO 15 (R Campbel) M Wilkinson 6-10-0

BETTRIC: 11-4 Moneru, 4-1 Merradong Brook, 8-1 Tribal Mescot, 1 P Harley (7) BETTING: 11-4 Monenu, 4-1 Merradong Brook, 8-1 Tribal Mascot, 9-1 Cuiddity, Kingfisher Bay, 12-1 High Chelesu, 14-1 Besch Park, 16-1 Trecauldah, 20-1 others.

1989: LAPIAFFE 5-10-4 A Mulholiand (6-1) R Hodges 17 ran

4.15 BROOME NATIONAL HUNT FLAT RACE (£1,360: 2m) (18 runners)

DOME WATIONAL HUNI FLAI KAJE (2.1,300: 2m) (18 ii
DRAW POKER (H Hoyman) O Sherwood 5-11-10
2- FERENTINO 272 (Mrs B Davis) P Leach 5-11-10
KALCORYMO (Alies E Saunders) C Triedine 5-11-10
SALAMANDER JOE (3 Mordsunt) D Nicholson 5-11-10.
STRONG BEAU (Mrs G Maxwell-Jones) D Nicholson 5-11-10.
3- COBBLERS CROSS 279 (F Lloyd (Panley) Ltd) R Peacock 5-11-5.
FAST CRUSS (Miss B Sylves) Miss B Sylves 5-11-5.
PENNILESS (Miss B Sylves) Miss B Sylves 5-11-5.
FIGHTER COMMAND (D Jankins) J Glover 4-11-0.
IORWERTH (Mrs W Higgin) E Owen 4-11-0.
BIRDAMM (K Bell) C Broad 4-11-0.
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FLAKEY DOVE (J Price) R Price 4-10-9. . A S Smith (7) ... N Hawke (3) P Harley (7) D Bridgwater (?)
P Verting (3) D Byrne . M Jones (5) Mrs J Matthews — S D Williams (7) FLAKEY DOVE (J.) Price) R Price 4-10-9

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LEADING SUPPLIER (Wentock Building Ltd) P Anderson 4-10-9

REWBELL (R Jones) P Anderson 4-10-9

WOODLANDS LADY (J. Pointon) Miss S Witson 4-10-9 Gary Lyons (5)

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BETTING: 2-1 Draw Poker, 4-1 Selemender Joe, 5-1 Seent Chant, 8-1 Ferentino, 12-1 others. 1989: FOR HEAVEN'S SAKE 4-11-0 Mr P Fenton (6-4 fav) J Edwards 15 ran



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From 1964 until last year, John Bromley was at the

heart of ITV sports coverage. He is now the

chairman of the independent production company, TSL. In the second of three articles, he looks at the rapidly changing face of televised sport

he Match, the live Football League match on a Sunday afternoon, is in its second year. As ITV's flagship sports programme, bought at huge cost ahead of fierce competition, it is a symbol of the changes going on in television.
Yet The Match might have

happened 10 years ago. In 1979 the BBC's edited highlights programme, Match of the Day, dominated Saturday evening viewing. Fixed, it seemed, almost irrevocably at 10pm, it was the centrepiece around which the BBC built their Saturday scheduling, which gave them a big share of that evening's audience.

The Big Match, which was our equivalent, went out on a Sunday lunchtime. It was successful, but less so than Match of the Day, partly because of its position and partly because it was a regionalized programme, not a national one.

At the time, we and the BBC negotiated jointly with the football authorities. They, as is well known, became increasingly dissatisfied with that arrangement, but it had been at their suggestion in the first place. They have maintained that our relationship with the BBC, once Bryan Cowgill left, was too cosy. Perhaps it was. It certainly gave them a lot less money than

they now enjoy.

But it gave them a lot of exposure, which I think did a very good job for the game. Are 21 live games enough for football, when it means that there is no League football on BBC, no FA Cup football on ITV and very sporadic

edited highlights programmes? In 1979, together with Michael Grade, who was in charge of programmes at LWT at the time, we decided to break up that cosy relationship and get an exclusive contract with the Football League. We, of course, wanted to do this without the BBC getting an inkling of what was going on, so we went through the motions of renegotiating the joint contract.

While Gerry Loftus, the ITV representative, was negotiating in the front room, Michael and I were in the back room doing the deal with Jack Dunnett, the Football League president. One of the things I regret in my broadcasting career is that we let down Loftus. Playing for such high stakes, it had to be done that way, but it left Loftus with a bad taste in his mouth.

The three of us finalized the deal in Dunnett's flat in Whitehall Court. Of course, there was a press conference and all the cameras were there to record the moment, and as we stood on the steps outside the block of flats, I said to Grade: "We've killed Match of the Day." We had ripped the heart out of BBC's Saturday schedule, It was called "Snatch of the Day" and in all modesty I must say it was one of the greatest scoops of all time. You could literally, well, almost lit-erally, see Broadcasting House rocking under the blow.

In fact, I heard a story recently that it was David Coleman who saved things for the BBC. It was, so the story goes, licking its wounds and ready to let it go without a fight until Coleman marched in to see lan Trethowan, the director general, and said: "We can't let ITV get away with this. We've got to do

And then the establishment finally cranked itself up into gear and got Parliament involved, and the matter was referred to the Office of Fair Trading and it got killed. But in a way we had won our objective because the outcome was the end of Match of the Day as the fulcrum of the BBC's Saturday night. In the new contract, the Saturday scheduling alternated between us and the BBC, so that it was no longer a fixed point of reference. And I think that also becaute or reall the end of the edited. began to spell the end of the edited highlights package as the main

Certainly, I became more committed to live events, which have been the thrust of sports coverage in the 1980s, and I think will continue to dominate the network's thinking over the next few years. "Snatch of the Day" was the start of a new direction for ITV sport, which is summed up by quality live and exclusive action.

In other words, we were seeking the big events, the big sports, and live action rather than recorded highlights. That undoubtedly will also dominate BBC thinking and that of the satellite companies.

ITV has already made its position clear by challenging the BBC successfully in its traditional areas, like athletics and rugby, as well as over football. The satellite stations have the same ideas. Although BSB failed in their bid for the Football League, which would have been a big coup for them, possibly even a guarantee of a successful channel,



Another round of football talks: John Bromley (ITV), Jonathan Martin (BBC) and Graham Kelly, then secretary of the Football League, in 1983

partnership with the BBC, and that s not insignificant. The implications for sport is

something I will get on to tomorrow, but clearly for the main sports, as we saw in the chase for the exclusive Football League contract, there will be a lot more money coming in from television for their top events, and especially if the 10 listed national events come on to the open market, which is the Government's intention. For the moment, I want to concentrate on what it means for

the television companies and in particular for ITV. The BBC's problem will be ensuring that its money supply i sufficient for it to remain competitive. That is only one of ITV's problems.

f competition is going to be fierce, as I think it is, and therefore money for the big sports is going to increase noticeably, that has important implications for ITV, and indeed for the BBC. Once upon a time the BBC claimed, with some justification, that it did sport best, so you might get more money from ITV but your sport was better treated by the corporation.

Now I think it is clear that the best thing for the coverage of sport has been competition - it keeps everyone on their toes and fuels the creative juices. Football coverage, for example, has improved. Tennis coverage, where the BBC so far has virtually maintained its monopoly, is tired because there is no competTo a large extent, the BBC claim is no longer justified. ITV has shown it can do the Cup Final as well as the BBC. I have no doubt that the thrusting independent companies will also be able to do leading sports as well as the BBC and could compete for the big events with

possibly one or two exceptions.

The BBC has just retained the
Boat Race against satellite competition because of belief in its coverage, and I believe that few people have the resources and the skill to cover the Grand National in the way it does. But those are exceptions. On the whole, in the future, the BBC is going to have to take its chance in the market-place. One answer for it has been seen in

the FA Cup deal jointly with BSB. As that suggests, for all the talk of the threat of competition, a general channel and a specific satellite sports channel can coexist quite happily because they are not in direct competition. For ITV, it is a different matter because, like the satellite broad-

casters, it has to sell advertisements, so it is in competition with the new stations. The combination of BBC and satellite money poses a serious

Clearly, ITV is going to stay in the sports market-place for the main sports and for the main events. But they are also going to be living in straitened circumstances. I worry that that will have an adverse effect on sports coverage, not just for ITV but also for the

other stations, because fierce com-

petition is going to require costs

being pared down to the bone, which will affect the quality of the coverage. I can hear the budget

supervisor saying: "You don't need that slow-motion machine, you don't need the extra cameras level with the penalty area." Good quality coverage, which ITV and BBC apply, costs money.

One big change, however, which I think will be for the good of ITV, would be having a centralized sports unit equivalent to ITN. It should probably even be housed in the new ITN building at Gray's Inn Road. It makes a lot of sense. Of course, it has been discussed from the day I joined ABC in 1964, but Greg Dyke, the chairman of the Network Sports Committee and LWT's controller of programmes, is very keen on it, and I think it has got to happen. The only question is whether it will come before the new franchises in 1992 or after.

It will save money. Putting in a strong chief executive will cut out the politics, which has been the main problem with ITV sport throughout my years there. I think there is more politics involved in the network's sports dealings than in any other area, even scheduling, and it is destructive. It drains so much nervous energy which could go into making programmes.

The only problem for a cen-tralized sports unit, as far as I can see, would be getting guaranteed airtime for big contracted events.

There would have to be set slots, and the new regulatory body, the ITC, would have to enforce that you couldn't have one company

opting out of a network show. As

well as the guaranteed slots, the unit could pitch for additional air-time, say for a big fight, in much the same way as ITN does now for royal tour highlights, for example. It would also require continuing

close co-operation between ITV and Channel Four, which I think is essential if ITV is going to do sport well. For ITV to bid for Wimbledon, for example, it would require both channels to be involved, so that one could offer the com-plementary programming BBC en-joys with BBC1 and BBC2. Even with this centralized body,

however, the regional companies would do their own regional sport, as Granada does very successfully with rugby league, for example. There are those who believe that the greater emphasis on regionalization will mean that all sport will become more regionalized, but I would oppose that ITV has to have a tional presence to compete with the BBC for the big events.

Possibly the magazine programmes, like Midweek Sports Special, might become more regionally based, but I believe if The Match were to be regionalized it would be a backward step. And, at a time when we are preparing to broaden our horizons and look out to Europe, to enter the Nineties walking backwards does not seem advisable.

Interview: Peter Ball TOMORROW The satellite explosion RUGBY LEAGUE

Mycoe to become youngest under-21

By Keith Macklin

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Davie Mycoe, of Sheffield Eagles, will become the youngest under-21 international when he plays for Great Britain against France under-21s at Villeacuve on Saturday. Mycoe will celebrate his eighteenth birthday on May 1 and, with Bobby Goulding, of Wigan, is one of two 17-year-olds in the side.

Mycoe will be at full back and Goulding at scrum half in a Great Britain squad determined to stem the tide of recent French. to stem the tide of recent French victories in this fixture. France have won three out of the last four matches, and have not been beaten at home since Britain won 40-7 at St Jean de Luz in March 1987. In all games be-March 1987. In all the state the age limit was reduced from under-24, in November 1984, Britain have won six and France four-The British squad includes four players from Wigan and Castleford

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Ferrall (Sheffield Eagles), J Citichley
(Widnes), N Roebuck (Castleford),

St Helens reply to Murphy

Helens and their deposed coach, Alex Murphy, continued yesterday (Keith Macklin writes). The St Helens board of directors issued a statement replying to Murphy's allegations that he had not been given enough power or consultation in the buying and selling of players, particularly in the attempts to sign Welsh rogby union internationals.

The statement said that Mur-phy had been fully consulted and "had been involved" in the attempted signings of all Welsh

attempted signings of all wearn players.

Mike McLennan, the New Zealand coach, yesterday confirmed his acceptance of the coaching post in succession to take charge of the club in time for the Silk Cut Challenge Cup first-round tie at Bramley on Sunday week.

week.

The Rugby Football League yesterday concluded a deal with a marketing company representing Norwich Union which will provide £120,000 over two years for league funds in return for access to rugby league grounds and the staging of road shows and other events.

SPORT FOR THE DISABLED

provision of facilities

By Jane Wyatt

SNOW REPORTS

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Light snowfall has helped conditions

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Glacier skiing above 2,400m still very good

In the above reports, supplied by representatives of the Ski Club of Great Britain, L refers to lower slopes and U to upper, and art to artificial.

Still good snow on Hintertux, beginners area on the

Ahorn reasonable ladming 10 30 good crust Good piste skiing, best now at Reiteralm

With compulsory competitive tendering for leisure facilities ess than a year away for some local authorities, a seminar is being held in Tyne and Wear today to discuss the implica-tions of the new system on sports provision for people with

The seminar, organized by the British Sports Association for the Disabled (BSAD) and North Tyneside Council, aims to sug-gest policy guidelines for incorporation into leisure management contracts.

If local authorities do not have a written policy on their commitment to disabled users which has been implemented, management will not be under on board.

any obligation to make special provision. As contracts will last much physical as attitudinal, the

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a valuable opportunity to im-prove services will be lost. Carole Bradley, of the BSAD, said the concern is to safeguard existing and future sports pro-visions. As a result, BSAD has produced a paper which they bope will assist local authorities in preparing written policies and act as a blueprint for councils to use in the writing of their tender

Knowing that local authorities are very alert to the financial implications of any type of special provision, she said the association has been realistic in its suggestions and hopes that even if the full policy is not implemented, at least some of the improvements will be taken

COMMONWEALTH GAMES

Guidelines sought for Kenyan tribesman aims to Bax tactic Changes for Round the separate sheep from goats

Athletics Correspondent Auckland

What price a Commonwealth Games medal? The answer, if Joseph Kibor fulfils his expectations next week, is a goat. A Kenyan tribesman who sells his goat for the betterment of his athletics is a Kenyan worth worrying about, and Kibor put no minds at rest yesterday upon his team's arrival here.

"I want to win the gold nedal," Kibor said, as though be had rehearsed the line to every goat on the Cherangani hills, where he lives 10,000 feet above sea level. He sold his goat to pay for the Commonwealth Games. Third in the 10,000 metres booked his passage to Auckland.

Kibor's best time is more than half a minute behind that recorded last year by the slowest of the three England repre-sentatives, all potential medal winners in the first track final of the Games on Saturday week. But unknown Kenyans tend not to stay unknown for long and Kibor is hoping for spectacular graduation in the style of Amos Biwott and Peter Rono.

It was bizarre enough that a girl aged 15 should hitch a ride because of lack of funds to the women's 1,500 metres trial, run barefoot, in a flowing pink dress, and win, but Kibor was good

represent England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland in

Auckland, only a few have a

realistic chance of making it into

the medal stages. England's chief hope for gold

cow after out-pointing the favourite, José Luis Hernández,

of Cuba, on the way. Anything less than silver for Woodhall

The most experienced mem-

ber of the 10-strong England team will be John Lyon, of St

Helens, the defending flyweight champion. Lyon, aged 28, first boxed in the Commonwealth

Games in 1982 when he won a

Four years ago, he made the most of the African boycott to take the gold in Edinburgh, but

an early exit in Seoul suggested

he might no longer be the tough,

forceful boxer who has proved almost unbeatable in Britain

Two of England's best

chances could come through the Anderson, the lightweight,

silver at light-flyweight.

over the last decade.

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will be a disappointment.

Strike averted

Auckland (AFP) — A strike which could have disrupted preparations for the Commonwealth Games here has been called off Auckland City Council's 1,100 employers, in dispute over wages and conditions in the newly enlarged council, voted to accept a compromise

arrived by bus, ran barefoot, and recorded 28min 51.10 sec to finish third and qualify for the Games. Gary Staines, who may as well have been a shepherd in Kibor's Elgeyo Marakwet tribe, so far removed from the fuss upon his arrival yesterday, is England's third fastest with 28min 17.54 sec last year, min 17.54sec last year.

There were no last-minute there were no last-minute changes to the Kenyan team. They arrived without their 800 and 1,500 metres Olympic champions, Paul Ereng and

Ereng and Rono were omitted

Sam Macharia, a senior Kenyan team official, was un-repentant yesterday, "It was not a case of us not selecting them because we didn't want them," he said. "It was a case of them not competing in the trials. Some of our guys are new names but I am sure they will do as

Not that Rose is likely to be too much of a loss. Wilfred Kirochi is regarded as a cham-pion 1,500 metres ranner with more potential than anyone to more potential than anyone to see that Sebastian Coe is desied a golden farewell to inter-national competition.

Aged 19, Kirochi is the world Aged 17, an octa is the solid junior champion and was third last year in the senior world cross-country championship. He cross-country championship. He was the one man shead of Coe in last year's 1,500 meres Commonwealth rankings and in the Dream Mile he finished second to Abdi Bile in 3min 50.49sec, to defeat Steve Crass.

"Some people say you are the next Sald Aoesta. What do you say?" Kirochi was asked. "I think they are right," Kirochi replied, though such bravado could have come from the great man himself.

Kirochi may have been fourth in the trial, but will be the first

Woodhall is chief hope for gold

The Commonwealth Games begin in Auckland, New Zealand, on January 24. The Times is previewing each of the 10 medal sports. Today: boxing

will be Richie Woodhall, aged 21, a light-middleweight, from Telford. A tall, skilful performer south London pair of Mickey Cantwell, the light-flyweight, and Pat Passley, the super-heavyweight, who compete in the lightest and heaviest weights who can keep his cool under pressure, his bronze was Britain's only boxing medal at the Seoul Olympics.

He also reached the quarterrespectively. Their divisions traditionally finals of last September's world amateur championships in Mosattract the smallest entries, and Passley in particular could profit

> Robert McCracken, the velterweight. from welterweight, Birmingham, aged 21 and of frish extraction, could well be one of the outsiders to watch. Tall for his weight at 6ft lin, he possesses the skill and punch to cause a few upsets.

from this by making it into the

Mark Edwards, the middleweight, and a Royal Marine, aged 24, and Peter Richardson, the lightweight, from Middlesbrough are others with the skill and resilience to make significant progress.

however, possess one of Brit-ain's leading amateurs in David

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Scotland, like England, send a team of 10, but their prospects

marathons in his spare time. was Britain's only medal winner at last year's European championships in Athens,

where he took a bronze.

His fellow-Glaswegian, Char-lie Kane, a tall, southpaw light-welterweight, is the other big hope for Scotland. Like Anderson, he acquitted himself well in the Seoul Olympics and can hope for a medal in New Zealand.

Stephen Wilson, aged 18, the middleweight, who has great potential, and Wilson Docherty, the bantamweight - bronze medal winner at light-flyweight in the last Games - should also For the seven boxers from

hope but little realistic expectation of success Wayne McCullough, a flyweight and a tough, aggressive little battler from Belfast, and Paul Douglas, the super-heavy, are the ones in with the best chance of emulating Barry McGuigan's gold medal in the 1978 Games.

Northern Ireland and the four

from Wales, there is plenty of

Welsh hopes rest with another super-heavyweight, Kevin Mc-Cormack, and a hard-hitting featherweight in John Williams.

clinches

world title From Bob Ross, Sydney

Alan Bax and Alan Lockhart, the British champions, won the world Flying 15 championship yesterday on Waterloo Bay, Brisbare, with controlled tac-tical sailing which kept them in touch with their closest rival, the New Zealand team of Roger Craddock and Matthew Smith, in the last roce of the series. in the last race of the series.

Willy Wonka finished seventh, to the leading New Zealanders' fifth, to win the series by 7.7 points from Craddock and Smith's Furthermore. Third overall, a distant 32.3 points behind Furthermore, was another UK yacht, lan Cleaver's

Cunning Stunt.

Bax, from Northampton Sailing Club, has had six years in the Uffa Fox-designed Flying 15 keelboat class, and was placed fourth and eighth in the two previous world championships. After being runner-up three times, he last year won the British championship at Cowes. He and Lockhart teamed up 12 months ago.

The pair built up a long points lead, with three wins in the three light-air races of the series on Royal Queensland Yacht Squadron's Waterloo Bay course, only to squander half of it with a ninth in the fifth race and a twentieth in the sixth race. That made the seventh race the decider. Bax either led or shadowed Craddock for most of the race. Bax was caught out at the wrong end of the starting line by a wind shift a minute before the starting signal, but he had recovered by the end of the

Craddock passed Bax on the run and carefully covered him from there, but Bax was able to stay close for the rest of the rac to ensure the win. "We sailed conservatively," Bax said. There were quite a lot of good people in the series who had some bad results. We tried to keep out of problems. If you have the boat speed, as we had, you can do it."

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Craddock around the first mark,

you can do it."
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YACHTING

World Race approved

From Barry Pickthall, Auckland

The proposals for a new 80ft three smaller divisions in this. super-maxi class and a com-plementary 60ft open design, put forward in yesterday's issue of The Times by Lawrie Smith, the Rothmans skipper, for the next Whithread Round the World Race, have won the approval of the sponsor.

"We agree with the concept of faster and safer yachts that can beat the clipper ship records," David Pritchard-Barratt, the chairman of the Whitbread race executive, confirmed yesterday. He and John Anson, his fellow director, also made clear that while a change of ports was under discussion, the sponsor had no wish to change the character of the race or the challenge that the Southern Ocean provides.

yachts for the next race in three years' time, it will be possible to call at more ports. We are also looking at ways of lessening the time the fleet spends at each stop-over," he said.

that the brewery was looking at the idea of raising the lower size limit for yachts and including a division for existing maxi yachts, designed to the Inter-national Offshore Rule (IOR), which Smith described in his article yesterday as "sluggish, difficult to steer and unsafe in

Rear Admiral Charles Williams, the chairman of the race organizers, is expected to call a meeting of all skippers next week to discuss the future of the race and counter proposals pur forward by the newly formed Offshore Racing Maxi Association, who have proposed a 60st one-design class to replace the

renomed within the ranks of The Card, the Swedish maxi lying fifth in the race, three days behind the New Zealand leader, Steinlager 2. Dr Roger Nilson, the yacht's skipper, says that Jim Close, of Australia, who raced aboard Alan Gray's leading British yacht, Jamarela, in last year's Admiral's Cup series, and one of three crew reported last week to have walked off the Saudich yacht in Austral alan. behind the New Zealand leader,

Swedish yacht in Auckland after internal disagreements, had de-cided to remain in the team. "Yes, I did leave the boat for a week, but we have now settled our differences, Close con-firmed yesterday. Nilson said that Billy Biewenge, who sailed the first half of the race on The Card as co-skipper, will be replaced by Stefan Abrahamsson, a 26-year-old economics student and former foredeck hand from Sweden's ionship challenger.

Chris Barker, who raced with Nilson aboard Simon Le Bon's yacht, Drum, in the last Whitbread race four years ago, will be replaced by Goren Olson, while Rick Tomlinson, of Britain, takes over the role played by Spencer Salem.

"We have 10 new sails on order, including four spinna-kers, and are more confident than ever that we can close the gap on the leaders," Nilson said.
Among other changes announced yesterday, Chief Petty
Officer, John Giblett, and Lt Justin Packshaw are replacing Capt Garfield Smith and Sub Lt. Mark Turner aboard Satquote British Defender, the joint ser-

Incentive for designers

A competition to design a new offshore cruiser-racer yacht for the 1990s has been established by the Royal Ocean Racing Club (Malcolm McKeag writes). The competition, for a yacht between 10.5 metres and 11.5 metres long, is open to both professional and amateur designers, and offers £1,000 prizemoney. The best three designs will be chosen by a panel of judges at the end of this year. Aspiring designers have until October to prepare and submit

their drawings but there is no suggestion, at this stage, that the suggestion, at this stage, that the club will adopt the new design as a class, or otherwise seek to promote its adoption.

Founded in 1925, with the objects of encouraging both ocean yacht racing and the study of ocean racine wacht design, the

of ocean racing yacht design, the Royal Ocean Racing Club has concentrated on race promotion and organisation. This is the first time the club has promoted a purely theoretical design competition.

SQUASH RACKETS

Nottingham retain winning habit

Reebok Nottingham may have increasingly damp and slippery lost the services of Danielle court at Thames Ditton by Lisa the services. Drady, the leading Australian who withdrew from the squad after one fixture in the SRA women's super league, but they have not lost the knack of winning important matches (Colin McQuillan writes). Colin McQuillan writes). Brady, a strong, hard-hitting
A skilful exploitation of an Australian likely to feature regu-

Opie, at first string, and calm, strong resistance by Sharon Brady, at third string was enough to displace their oppo-nents. Colets, at the head of the

the squad is effectively just four players, appeared determined to make the most of an opportunity provided by her compatriot's early departure due to sponsorship clashes.

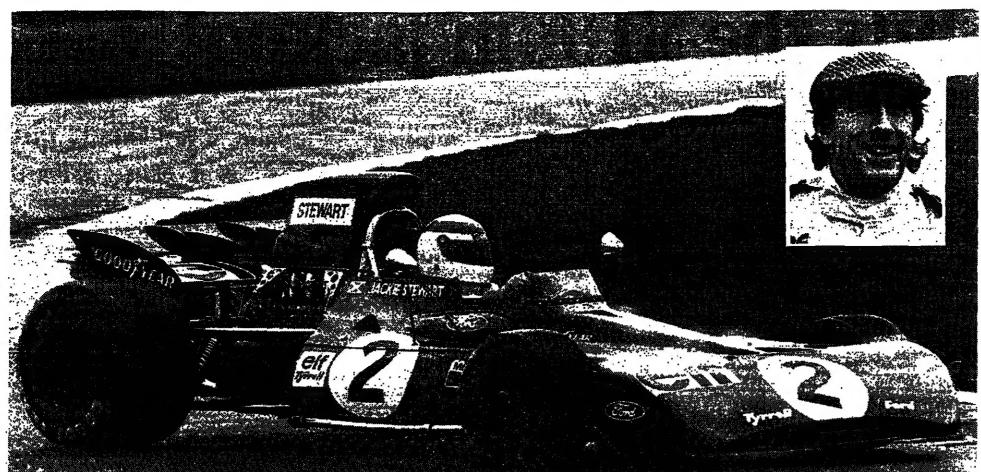
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RUGBY LEAGO become Younger under-2

Stewart turns the clock back in his top Tyrrell



Jackie Stewart became a Formula One driver again yesterday when he took one of his world championship winning cars, the Tyrrell-Ford 003 (above), out of its resting place in the Donington Motor Racing Museum and drove it around the Donington Park race circuit (John Blunsden writes).

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Lyle ready

to turn up

the heat in

the desert

From Patricia Davies

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Race approve

Of all the Tyrrells that Stewart drove during his racing career, 003 was the most successful, bringing him eight of his total of 27 grand prix victories as well as the second of his three world championships in 1971. He had taken his first title in 1969 with a Matra-Ford run by Ken Tyrrell's team and his third

Stewart retired at the end of that season, having competed in 99 world championship races. Yesterday his return to the track was watched by his son, Paul, a racing driver also, who manages his own team. Aged 50, Jackie Stewart, who con-

ducts regular high-performance driving demonstrations with the Ford Motor Company, has lost none of the polish and precision which made him the finest racing driver of his time. More than 26 years after his retirement, only Alain Prost, the present champion, has

FOOTBALL: HODGE THE KEY MAN AS LITTLEWOODS CUP HOLDERS PREPARE FOR THE QUARTER-FINAL

Spurs hope to learn lessons from their defeat by Forest in move for

By Steve Acteson and Louise Taylor

The Littlewoods Cup quarter-final between Nottingham ly Lyle, with the rest of the US PGA tour, has moved on to halm Springs, the desert play-ground of the stars, for the fiveround of the stars, the the Normanian monster that is the \$1 million Bob Hope Chrysler Classic, starting today and ending on Sunday, 90 holes later.

Palm Springa, whose mayor is Sonny Bono, formerly attached to Cher, is a ritzy, glitzy place.

Sonny Bono, formenty attached to Cher, is a ritzy, glitzy place full of big Hollywood names. A lot of them will be playing with the Lyles, Azingers, Kites, Palmers and Trevinos on the first four days as the pro-am winds its way around four of the 70-odd courses that dot the desert. Steve Hodge, the England odd courses that dot the desert. The leading 70 profe n let loose on the Palmer Lyle, who plays his first round

disconsolate at missing the cut in Tucson last week. "I'm not dejected," he said. "If I'd still got the hooks and the shanks like last year, I'd be really cheesed off. But I've no mental block any more. "I learned an awful lot last year and I feel my swing is fine now. I'm at the stage of my

career where I want to win one major a year and I feel I can afford to think like that again." Lyle was second last year, tied with Paul Azinger, and in the next three weeks he had another second and a third. Even so, he as not happy. "It was all down to chipping and putting," he said. "I was struggling with my swing and after Los Angeles [where he was second], the curtain came down. It wasn't a

Women's fund is near £2m

By Mitchell Platts Golf Correspondent

Three tournaments in the pipe-line could take the 1990 Women Professional Golfers' European Tour towards a prize fund of £2

"I'm rejuctant to set myself such a target, although we are edging towards it," Joe Flanagan, executive director of the WPGET, said. "I wouldn't like to say whether we will hit it or not because I've learnt there is no easy path as far as sponsor-ship is concerned. By dint of and taking our time, I am convinced that in a couple of years the tour will take off." Twenty tournaments, including the Swiss Classic and Paris Open, both new events, ensure that Europe's top women golfers will be playing for a minimum of £1.68 million.

The Weetabix Women's Briton Open, which will this year be played at Woburn Golf and Country Club from August 2 to continues to command the ghest prize fund with an from £120,000 to

'Women's golf has enjoyed a boom time in recent years, with prize-money going from £500,000 in 1985 to the current figure," Flanagan said. "But there is still progress to be

TOUR SCHEDULE: April: 19 to 22: Visiona Cassia, Rome (270,000): 25 to 22: Foot Ladies Cassic, Woburn (25,000). May 10 to 13: Hennessy Cup. Para (280,000): 31 to June 3: Swiss Cassic, Geneva (270,000). June 14 to 17: French Ladies Open, (ToA (220,000). June 21 to 24: BidW European Masters. Breasts (2120,000): 28 to July 1: BidW Loses' Classic, Disseldorf (270,000): 5 to 8: Lang Laries' Charty Cassic, Stoke Popes (166,000): 12 to 16: Bioor Homes Estaigh Classic, Florming Parit, Essieigh (260,000). August 2 to 16: Bioor Homes Estaigh Classic, Florming Parit, Essieigh (260,000). August 2 to 16: Bioor Homes (260,000). August 2 to 18: Westebbx (470,000). August 2 to 18: School Homes (260,000). So to 11: Lufthanss: Ladies' Serman Open, Huminga (270,000): 30 to 250 2 Variety Clab Calebrity Classic, Obto, TeA, Rescing (250,000): 13 to 18: Ludies' European Open, Kungswood (275,000): 28 to 22: Parit Open, TEA (200,000): 11 to 14: Adif Open, TEA (250,000): 11 to 14: Adif Open, TEA (250,000): 18 to 27: Italian Ladies' Copen, TEA (250,000): 18 to 27: Woolmark tournament, Machid (270,000). November 1 to 4: Spanish Copen, TEA (2740,000).

est in the league match at back after two months out White Hart Lane on Decem-with a hamstring injury. He

Forest, the holders, and Tottenham Hotspur at the City Ground tonight realistically represents the only chance left this season for either club to maintain an interest in one of the three big

midfield player who left Tottenham for Forest, be-lieves the pressure will be much heavier for his former club. "You can be sure," he said, "that much will be made of the fact that Terry Venables, having spent so much money on players, must

win a trophy soon."

Venables, who singles out
Hodge as being "the main
feature of Forest's play" preferred to play down the importance of the match. "I don't really think it is make or break for us, we are not a million miles away from the top of the league," he said. Tottenham lost 3-2 to For-

the Commonwealth Games

27, two athletes, assuming they

27, two athletes, assuming they finish the 25-lap race, are assured of personal bests. For the first time in an international championship, the Falkland islands will be represented in track and field, and for Peter Biggs and William Goss, it will be their first ever race, over any distance, under IAAF track and field laws.

What will be probably the smallest representation at the Games is passing through London this week on the way to Anckland — a trip of 20,000 miles — and on Monday they hasks a mether duck by stepning

broke another duck by stepping on to a running track for the first

time, at Crystal Palace. Coached by Sarah Dixon, the

Islands' first PE teacher, Biggs, aged 38, the Income Tax Officer on the Falklands, and Goss, aged 24, a professional sheep shearer, are refreshingly ama-

aged 24, a professional successionary, are refreshingly amateur in their outlook. Goss had

never even raced until a qualify-ing run was organized for December 23, in which he rallied

after losing concentration on one land than of the five 2,000-metre circuits of Falklands.

By Barry Trowbridge

ber 30 and Venables admits: "Forest are a difficult team to play at home because they counter-attack so well. It will be different at their place but

we must learn our lessons

from that game." Mabbutt, the Tottenham captain, is included in the squad after missing one game with a knee injury. The Spanish midfield player, Nayim, absent through injury since October, the forward, Moran, and the defender, Moncur, are also in contention.

Forest, who are injury free, have the Scotland Under 21 international defender Wilson

Croker helps GEC bid

Ted Croker, the former sec-retary of the Football Associ-ation, has been recruited to help GEC, the electronics company, in its bid to win the £50 million contract for football's speciator identity card scheme (a Special Correspondent writes). Croker, a trained engineer who became a professional foot-

to Biggs, a veteran of "several half-marathons with the

troops".
The idea of sending an athlet-

The iten of sending an athletics team to the Games belongs to Patrick Watts, the Islands' broadcasting officer, who latched on to an offer from Berkeley Sound Shipping Company to sponsor a couple of local sportsmen. Previously, the Falklands had been represented by two-man shooting teams, at the Games of 1982 and 1986, but Watts sensed that a represente-

Watts sensed that a representa-tion in a high-profile sport would be good for the youth of the Islands, even though they lack the most basic of facilities

Watts, now the team manager,

watts, now the team manager, passed his team over to Dixon, who obtained an AAA assistant cinb coach award while at Nouington PE College, in Kent, in the early Eighties and moved to the Islands from Otterburn, near Newcastle, in 1988 because the timestal entered.

she "wanted to travel".
Biggs and Goss are unlikely to

feature in the battle for medals, but if taking part is the im-portant thing, few will warrant a warmer welcome in New Zea-

land than the men from the

son has agreed to a new three and a half year contract. Denis Smith, the Sunder-

land manager must redeploy his defence for the quarterfinal with Coventry City at Roker Park. Sunderland appear particularly vulnerable to the short passing game that Coventry employ and Smith admitted that using Bennett as a sweeper against Middlesbrough in the 3-0 defeat on Sunday was a mistake.

Accordingly, Sunderland are expected to operate an orthodox back four with Gates coming off the substitutes' bench to be re-united with

1948, said: "GEC know a lot about smart cards and electronics but not much about football." Of the other five consortiums bidding for the contract, ADT Check-In has Gordon Banks, the former England goolkeeper, as a consultant and Bull has signed Synchro Systems, a com-pany 75 per cent owned by Tottenham Hotspur plc.

A 20,000-mile trip to run 10,000 metres

Gabbiadini, scorer of 16 goals, in attack

Kilcline, the captain, is a surprise inclusion in Coventry's squad of 16. The centre half has been on the sidelines for six weeks with a groin injury and although he re-cently returned to full training he has not played a competitive match.

West Ham United, who contest a semi-final place at Upton Park with Derby County are strengthened in attack by the much needed return from injury of Rosenoir and Slater. Rosenoir, who injured a knee last summer and last played for the first team on September 26, has successfully negotiated two reserve team matches - scoring in both - while Slater, who also injured a knee on Boxing Day played in the reserves on

Saturday.
On the debit side West Ham's new acquisitions, Morley, Quinn and Bishop are all cup-tied along with the onloan goalkeeper, Suckling in whose absence, Parkes is likely to be preferred to McKnight.

Burnley Francis

Orient and

Sheffield United yesterday agreed a fee of £90,000 for the sale of John Francis, a forward, to Barraley or Leyton Orient, Both clubs have met United's valuation of Francis, who was bought from Emley, the HFS Loans League League club, for £5,000 two years ago. The player has been left to decide which offer to accept.

United are also negotiating the sale of Martin Pike, a left back. Bolton and Barraley are rivals for Pike's signature at £70,000.

Perry Suckline, the Crystal

 Perry Suckling, the Crystal Palace goalkeeper, has had his one-month loan at West Ham United extended to two months. Rudi Hedman, a defender, continues at Leyton Orient and Palace have also let Richard Shaw stay on loan at Hell City. Mick Mills, the manager of

second signing for the fourth division club. He has bought Neil Marmon, a central defendfee. Marmon has been playing in Germany for seven years after a short spell at Torquay United.

Tornmy Lynch, Sanderland's Irish utility player, is expected to join Shrewshary Town this week on loan, with a view to a

permanent move.

Auckland coach brings expertise to British shores

RUGBY UNION

By David Hands, Rugby Correspondent

helped maintain Auckland as the leading New Zealand land at the end of this month. Since his visit comes immediately after the first round of the five nations' championship, in which Eng-land play Ireland at Twick-enham on January 20 and Wales play France at Cardiff, he will be well-placed to comment on the differences in approach between the northern and southern

Trapp, a product of what was then Loughborough Colleges, played at lock for Harlequius played at lock for Harlequius before emigrating to New Zea-land in the mid-Seventies. He succeeded John Hart as coach to Auckland three years ago and, with Bryan Williams, the former All Black wing, has taken them to a record number of Ranfurly Shield wins.

His programme begins at Thurrock on January 21, and concludes at Leicester 10 days later. During that time, Trapp will offer advice on lineout and back-one play on hall greenion. will offer advice on lineout and back-row play, on ball retention, on how Auckiand prepare and, particularly, on kicking: why do you kick, from where do you kick, and what type of kick do you use? Questions, dare one suggest, that do not always flash through the mind of every player as he hoofs yet another ball skyward.

Trapp's way at Auckland has been vastly eased by the pattern constructed before him by Hart and the quality of players available. Seven of the All Blacks who beat Wales and Ireland on the secret terms are a head. who beat Wales and Ireland on the recent tour were Auck-landers, among them Terry Wright, the left wing, who is spending two months with Sud-bury, the Suffolk club, before returning to New Zealand in February in time to prepare for the sevens competitions which dominate the start of the New Zealand season.

Zealand season. "Maurice had the good sense to realize it would be foolish to try and stamp his mark on the side just for the sake of it though there are a few people around who might have done that," Wright said. "In the actual tactics he employs, he hasn't moved that far from John Hart and the consistency of selection of the team has been

maintained.
"Both he and BG [Williams] wanted to play an expansive game, which the players enjoy and the crowd enjoy watching, but the players at Auckland are so experienced now, there is a process of consultation. We reckon the more heads you get together to look at a problem,

Lenihan's long run in danger

By George Ace

The Ireland team to meet England at Twickenham on aturday will be named tonight. Donal Lenihan, who has not nissed an international since his debut against Australia in 1981 and has won 43 caps, joined Philip Rainey as doubtful after sustaining a nose injury that required an operation on Saturday night. Lenihan will have a plaster

today and, although the surgeon who carried out the operation has told him he can play. Lenihan is by no means con-vinced that that would be the

Kenny Murphy, of Constitu-tion, will play if Rainey is ruled out, and Neil Francis, of Blackrock College, will take over if Lenihan withdraws. Pat Murray, the Shannon full back, will be added to the replace.

ments if necessary.

Murphy would be a third generation of the famous Cork family to win international honours and would be making his debut, and Francis would win Small Games team: Goss (left) and Biggs with Sarah Dixon, the coach, in London yesterday his seventh cap.

Maurice Trapp, whose coaching the better the result. If you have a coach who dominates your tactics, the players are not come provincial side of the 1980s, will to be very good at adjusting to new situations on the field.

"Maurice and Bryan lay down the tactics for each match, and that is one of his great strengths: he's a very shrewd operator, with a very analytical mind One of the major roles of the coach in New Zealand is to know the background of each opposing team, studying videos, and discovering the strengths and weaknesses of their leading players, so that he can come to the team, tell them the back-ground and suggest the best way

of beating them."
Wright suggests that much of Trapp's approach will deal with fundamentals: "It's mastery of the basics. So many people don't realise that if you do the simple



things well, you tend to win games." It is such home truths that Wright has been helping get across to youngsters in the Sudbury area during his stay, going into schools to enthuse 11 and 12-year-olds who might no otherwise be exposed to the

He has also been helping coach the Sudbury players as they prepare for the second half of their area league south campaign, and has been impressed by their attitude: "They are ull incredibly keen to learn, they want to be been upon they want to know what they are doing wrong. I've been fortunate enough to have been coached by some of the best in the world, and I'm very happy to try and pass some of that on."

It has been frustrating for Wright that the I2-week eligibility rule prevents him playing in

Sudbury's competitive games. He has turned out at full back in friendlies but his greatest contribution, in any event, will be in passing on experience TIMERARY: January: 21: Thurrock RFC (10am); 22: Bishem Abbey (7pm); 24: North Bristol RFC (7pm); 25: Old Crystonians (7pm); 26: Burton RFC (7pm); 28; RFU Twickenham (10am); 29, Orrall RFC (7pm); 30, Wakefield RFC (7pm); 31, Lacceter FC (7pm).

Fijian job on offer to Jones

By David Hands

Fiji, beaten by both England and Scotland during their visit to Britain in the antuma, are to approach Alan Jones, the for-mer Australian coach, to help with their preparations for the 1991 World Cup, according to reports from Sava yesterday. The Kilians are dependent for much of their regby aid upon New Zealand and Australia and, in recent years, have been assisted by George Simpkin, a New Zealander. Their results since the 1987 World Cap, in which they were quarter-final-

The last thing I want to do is

to have to come off after five or 10 minutes and that must be a possibility. That would not be fair to the team or myself," he said yesterday.

Rainey is having intensive physiotherapy on a groin injury and is being advised by Kevin Murphy, who was the British Isles physiotherapist in Australia last summer.

Rainey said yesterday: "My mobility has improved immensely and I am more optimis tic now than I was on Sunday. I have been having morning, afternoon and evening treat-ment and intend to have a runout tonight. I will make a decision then."

will be added to the replace-

North Sydney rugby league club. Another to turn down an offer from rugby leagne, in this case the Manly-Warringah club in Sydney, is Zinzan Brooke, the New Zealand back-row forward. Brooke, who toured with the All Blacks in Wales and Ireland two months ago, has yet to establish himself as a union international • Cambridge University will elect a new captain after this

slam in the British Isles, has had nothing to do with rugby union in Australia since Bob Dwyer became the Australian

coach at the end of 1987. He has

been critical of Dwyer but whether he is likely to accept a post with Fifi, where he is

expected on Friday, seems

turned down suggestions that he should resume coaching a rugby union club in the city, and also a

Over the last year, Jones has

doubtful.

annual game against Durham University at Grange Road. The choice is likely to be between Adrian Davies, the stand-off half and Wales B centre, and Simon Holmes, the Canker

TODAY'S FIXTURES

FOR THE RECORD MOTOR RALLYING

BASKETBALL

MATIONAL ASSOCIATION DELA: New York Knicks 109, Chicago Bulle 105; Cleveland Covaliers 92, San Antonio Spars 98, Denser Haggels 101, Delies Mewericks 92; Los Angeles Laters 111, Sacramento Monge 91; Indiana Peters 144, Golden State Warriors 105; Migral Heet 111, Washington Bullets 105; Phoseix Sura 118, Charlotta Horress 108 OT: Sectile SuperSonics 105, Houston Rockets 101.

CRICKET

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ATP: Leading money winners: 1, Y North (Ft).
\$21,506. 2. E. Sanchez (8p), 520,275; 3. S. Davis (US), \$18,000; equal 5. J. Arazo (US) and A. Crascrotov (USSR), \$14,282; 7, R. Ramsterg (US), \$13,983; 8. G-U Steeb (WG), \$12,720; 9. M Kratzmon (Mus), \$83,972; 10, J. Fleurian (Ft), \$9,833, Ramshonger 1, i Land (Cz), 2,913pts; 2, B. Bectar (MS), \$222, 3. S. Echory (San), 2,111; 4. B. Gabert (US), 1,292; 5. J. McDarno (US), 1,354; 8. M. Chang (US), 13,28; 7. A. Kratzmon (US), 1,222; 1. A. Aguasi (US), 1,160; 9. J. Bergar (US), 1,103; 10, A. Manchri (Arg), 1,024.

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NATIONAL LEAGUE (NILL: Toronto Mapie Laufs 7. Chicago Black Hawles & Montreal Careclines 4. Minnesots North Stars 3; Bouton Bruins 4, Harderd Whalers 1.

Aquino's promise Manila (AFP) - President Corazon Aquino, of the Philippines, said on Monday that Manila will honour its commitment to host the 1991 Southeast

7.30 unless stated **FOOTBALL**

Third round, second replay Everton v Middlesbrough ... Littlewoods Cup Fifth round Nottm Forest y Tottenham

Sunderland v Coventry (7.45)...... B and Q Scottish League Second division

Zenith Data Systems Cup Northern area, semi-final

Leyland Daf Cup Preliminary round Bristol R v Exeter (8.0). Swansea v Reading.....

FA TROPHY: First round replays: Worcester v Aylosbury (7.45); Bishop Auckland v Northwich; Nuneaton v Shepeted; Redbridge v Stogel (7.45); Tow Law v Sutton Coldfield (Crook Town

PONTRES LEAGUE: First division: Full V Leleaster (7.0): Bractiond v Notes Co. Second division: Bleckpool v Wigen (7.0): West Bran v Wolverhampton (7.0): York v Botton (7.0): Grimsby v Barnsley (7.0).

CLUB MATCHES: Cardiff v Bridgend (7.15); Hampshire v Army (Basingstoka 2.30); Newport v Newport Distillery (7.0) v Royal Navy (Guiddiord, 2.30); Bath v Mot Police (7.15), HOSPITALS CUP: First round: Guy's v St Gaoroe's 2.20).

RUGBY LEAGUE STONES BITTER CHAMPIONSHIP: Brad-ford v Widnes: Leeds v Leigh; St Helens v Hull. Second division: Rochdal- v Futham (8.0): Swinton v Huddersfield; Whitehaven v Halltax; Hull KR v Oldham.

SPORT ON TV AMERICAN FOOTBALL: Screensport 12.15-4.15 and 7.30-9.30pm: National Football League: NFC play-off, and Gollege match: 1990 Clarus Bowl.

BASKETBALL: Eurosport 10pm-midnight: Highlights from the European club circuit. BOXING: Screensport 7-8.30am; 6-7.30pm and 11.30pm-12.30am; Top Rank and Professional events from the United

EUROSPORT - WHAT A WEEK:

VALIDHALL LEAGUE: Scened Division south: Petersfield v Molecey (7.45).

BEAZER HONES LEAGUE: Midlands division: Benbury v Radditch.

GREAT MALLS LEAGUE: Premier division: Chard Town v Bristol Manor Farm (7.45).

BY MOREY LINKON

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MIDWEEK SPORTS SPECIAL: ITV
10.35pm-12.30em: Littlewoods Cop:
Highlights of high Benn (UK) v
Sandertine Williams (US).
MOTOR CYCLING: Spreensport 9.3010.30pm: los Speedway: Highlights of the
1880 World quarter-finel from italy, MOTOR SPORT: Sproepert 10-10.15cm and 12.15am (comorrow): Highlights of the Pasts-Dakar rally: Screensport 10-11am and 10.30-11.30pm; Review of the 1989

POWERBOAT RACING: ITV 4-4.30am (tomorrow): International offshore event

RUGBY LEAGUE: Screensport 8.30-10am: Wigan v Braction Northern. SHOOKER: Eurosport 12-1pm and 7-5pm; Highlights of the United Kingdom championship.

SPORTSNIGHT: BBC1 10-11.15pm: Pre-view The XIVth Commonwealth Games from Audend, New Zealand: Skiling: Highsights of the Men's downlife from Hahnenkemm: Registy Union: Preview of the Five matiens' championship, and news of the teams. TRANS WORLD SPORT: Euro 7pm: Sport from around the worl respont 9-11em, 5-6 and 9,0-

LIPDATE: Screenport 7.30pm.
WEIGHTLIFTING: Eurosport 11.15pm12.15am: Hignlights of the World Cup.

winning habit

By Chris Moore

On his own admission, John Rudge is not what you would call a high-profile manager, which is just as well for FA Cup giant-killers, Port Vale, Anyone else with his trick, record in management would surely have been larger away by one of the bigger clabs in

Rudge celebrated his tenth maiversary at Vale Park last week by inspiring his second division side to a stumber 1. victory over Derby County in a third round replay at the Resebell Ground

Two years ago he master minded the club's surprise 2-1 Cup triumph against Totten-ham Hotspur, soon after Terry Venables's arrival at White Hart Lane. Last season he led them to promotion from the third division.

So why is it his name never seems to be linked with any of the leading jobs when they become available? "It's probably because I was a be butter player in the lower a cheb which is terms of territory is in no man's lan somewhere Manchester Birmingham," Rudge said.
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the top as anyone else, but it's not a burning desire because of the continued success we're having here."

When Rudge first joined out Vale as assistant to John Port Vale as ass McGrath, the club was third from bottom in the fourth division and escaped, kaying to apply for re-election that season by just one goal.

"Hereford needed to wi

their final game 3-0 to get on of trouble but wen only 3-6,



Rudge: keeping a low profile

Stoke City," he said. "Ne matter what we've done in the past, we've always been looked on as their poor relations.
"But as things stand at the

moment, we're nine points ahead of them in division two and through to a fearth round FA Cup tie with Aston Villa So there's a proud sense of achievement there. "But overall, the last few

years have been absolutely nagnificent for us. Off the field we're working hard to get our ground up to shape and the two games we had with Derby plus the one with Villa will belp on that score.

"We've still got half the ground up new with the target of getting it ready for the Stoke derby game. The Villa tie is a tremendous game for

"They're the form team in the first division at the moment. But if we play anything

like we did at Derby, it'll be a terrific match." Vale, in fact, will have two former Villa players in their side, Dean Glover, their record

signing, who cost £200,000 from Middlesborough, and the midfield player, Ray Walker, Rudge's best bargain buy for jest £12,000.

"In one way it was a big blow for us when we sold Andy Jones to Chariton for £350,000 after I'd bought him from Rhyl for £3,000," Rudge said. "But it meant that I the started doing my shopping in Harrod's instead of Petricont Lane, and that's one of the

reasons we've now get such a good team." Linden Jones, whose two goals for Reading knocked out Sunderland in the FA Cup third round, has been cle to face Newcastle United in

the fourth round next week The full back, aged 28, feared the worst after being booked for the sixth time this season in that game; but the FA have told Reading that his 19 disciplinary points are two short of an automatic bar. Brighton and Hove Albion FA Cup final team of 1983 will play Tottenham Hotspur in a testimonial match for their

former goalkeeper, Grakeon

Moseley, on April 3. Moseley.

had nine years at Brighton

before joining Cardiff City, where injuries sustained in a

Bjorn Waldegaard, of Swoden, in second place overall, and Alain Ambrosino, of France, in third, completed a

Foreman hits the \$100m jackpot

From Srikmaar Sen, Boxing Correspondent, Atlantic City

floor in the second round of nent retirement. their 10-round contest at the "I gave it a good try," he Convention Center here on said, referring to a beautiful Monday. Within minutes of left hook that made Forethe 42-year-old's victory, the man's knees buckle. "It's time

Cooney was still lying on get a degree." the floor looking up into the ring lights and camera mouths Cooney an adequate test or were making chewing noises not does not matter. A man round the grey, hollow face of who can take a Cooney left the 33-year-old fallen heavy-hook, still potent, and come weight when the argument started about Foreman's en- Foreman kept rolling forward counter with Tyson.

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fought its way to the interview on the way to Tyson. room, the oohs and aahs, noes and nahs, the whadyameans and whadyaknows and whadyacares had been said. A Tyson-Foreman hout was definitely one to be seen.

The promoter, Bob Arum, Tyson and Foreman should share 50-50," he said. It did not matter that

Tyson's promoter was Don King, Arum knew a \$100 million bout when he saw one. After all, he was the man who gave us the multi-million dollar middleweight series involving Leonard, Hagler, Hearns and Duran.

Foreman was still wearing his red velvet robe. He said: "It's going to be the greatest Out of and tell everybody the old man ad has come back, Rip Van Winkle a has come back. People say I've suffought a lot of tomato cans. Heckel, I've fought some bean bags. It too, and sardine cans. Critical's can say anything

they want. First make sure they call me when it's dinner time."

Cooney, who looked tired and drawn when he came into the ring, boxed dike a man who had not receptivered from his

Swindon

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resigns

George /Simms, the chief stew-

ard at Swindon Town for 18

appyarently in protest over the

dis-missal on Monday of the

club secretary, Dave King,

with whom he had a close

working relationship (Steve

board meeting, and the club chairman, Brian Hillier, yes-

terday accused him of dis-

loyalty towards the second

The continuing controversy surrounding Swindon Town

has also caused Carol Embrey,

a local businesswoman, who

led an unsuccessful takeover

bid last summer, to defer

pressing her bid to join the

board of the club until after the

results of the two investiga-

tions into its affairs are

Acteson writes).

It was just as everybody had 2½-year absence and was still expected. The "We want suffering from the effects of Tyson" cry started immed- alcoholism and drug abuse, iately after George Foreman and was now glad to be going clubbed Gerry Cooney to the back into his third and perma-

bandwagon for the first \$100 for me to do something else, million contest started rolling. maybe go back to school and

Whether we consider back cannot be laughed off. and he will keep on going until By the time the Press had he has removed all obstacles

While he may not survive a Tyson onslaught, he must nevertheless be seen as cred-ible an opponent as any of the top 10. As Larry Hazzard, the New Jersey commissioner, said: "Anyone who can last came in saying, "So the old one round with Tyson can be guys can still do it," and deemed to be a worthy oppo-confirmed that a \$100 million nent." Foreman may even be bout was more than likely. the best of the 10 as a Tyson opponent for, unlike the others, who are there for the money, Foreman really believes in himself.

Whereas most Tyson opponents lose the bout between the dressing-room and the ring, Foreman will not be daunted by the Tyson twitch. Quite simply, the Texan, who came a preacher after a religious experience 11 year ago, fears only God. "I think I can finish Tyson quicker because he won't move around and back away like

Foreman returned to boxing in 1987 and started knocking over those tomato cans. He looked so out of condition that a Tyson challenge seemed out of the question. How could the former world champion, who had been destroyed by Ali in 1974 and sent into retirement

Cooney did," he said.



Parting of the ways: Cooney is shown the low road back to achool while Foreman is restrained from striking out for the highway that leads to Tyson territory 315lb shape 10 years later and his feet. He walked forward

with quick, little steps, cutting

off the ring efficiently. When

fighting, he used his trainer

Archie Moore's famous

crossed-arms roll. His pro-

digious arms are perfect for

that tactic. From that position

he can launch the big right and

uppercut without exerting

Gil Clancy, Cooney's

pick up the pieces? Yet, after 19 knockouts in 20 bouts in his new career, Foreman has assumed a presence that cannot be ignored any more. Naturally, there was a layer of fat resting on the waistband of the 253-pounder's trunks on Monday night but he held his bulk proudly, himself too much. almost flaunting it as he does

by an ageing Jimmy Young in his age. trainer, is most impressed by 1977, return in his gross new Generally, he was light on the way Foreman pushes his

opponents back. Clancy believes that Foreman has made a 300 per cent improvement since his last match, with Everett Bigfoot Martin. He believes that, if allowed to get into his stride, Foreman could make Tyson's life difficult

What was remarkable about the finish was Foreman's accuracy. He landed eight blows on Cooney, starting with a right lead. With each blow three uppercuts, a right, an

Britain aims

to bring

the World

Cup here

By a Special Correspondent

Britain is seeking to host the

athletics World Cup for the

first time in 1993. The event,

which is held every four years, would attract the highest stan-

dard ever seen in this country,

uppercut, another uppercut and a right - Cooney began to get closer and closer to the floor by degrees. He got up at six but Foreman piled in another uppercut and a club-bing right that sent him to the canvas holding his ears and left him in a pathetic heap lying on one arm, with the other arm around his head. Foreman plans to have as

many bouts as he can, starting

Organization champion, while Tyson is going through his commitments: Buster Douglas in Tokyo on February 11 and Evander Holyfield here in June. "I want to keep fighting because it is the only thing that keeps me out of the hamburger joints. If I don't fight, I'll eat this planet up," he said.

Italy, the World Boxing

The British Amateur Athletic Board and the City of Birmingham Council will have their offer considered by the International Amateur Athletic Federation Council in Tokyo this weekend.

Full presentations will be made to the world governing body in Stattgart in July when rival bids from Singapore, Athens and Havana also will

Britain, which made its first appearance as a nation in the Cup in Barcelona last September, finishing third in the men's competition behind the United States and the European Select team, wants to stage the event at Bir-mingham's Alexander Stadium. which would be

The Birmingham Council has agreed to double the capacity to 25,000 and im-

"The world of athletics recognized that Britain did a wonderful job in staging the European Cup last year in Gateshead," Tony Ward, the board spokesman, said.

"In terms of organization and presentation, it was second to none. We are anxious to give as much support as possible to those local authorities, who support as year in and year out, and will do everything in our power to ensure that this bid is success-

Gatting rumours spark protests From Richard Streeton, Johannesburg

Rumours that Mike Gatting's XI of English cricketers had arrived in South Africa secretly overnight led to an immediate demonstration vesterday outside a leading hotel in the city centre here. After an hour the protesters men were not in the country. The incident was a fore-

runner of what Gatting's players can expect when they travel here nearer the weekend. It involved about 100 protesters representing the Pan Africanist Movement, a black political group, which is affiliated to the banned Pan Africanist Congress. Most of the demonstrators carried banners which demanded land rights as well as objecting to the cricket tour.

Other anti-apartheid factions have started to approach leading South African cricketers individually, asking them to take no part in matches with the English team.

in Cape Town a joint deputation from the National Sports Congress (NSC) and the United Democratic Front handed in letters to the Western Province cricket union, whose ground at Newlands is expected to stage one of the five-day international matches.

Ngconde Balfour, who works in Archbishop Tutu's office, told *The Times*: "Letters were given to Fritz Bing. the president, and Lawrence Seeff, the captain, listing our cricketers coming."

Other players spoken to so far include Kepler Wessels, the Eastern Province captain, who is Clive Rice's main rival to lead the Springbok national

who played several seasons for Derbyshire and is another certainty for the South African team, was quoted in yesterday's South African newspapers as saying: "I will admit dispersed peacefully when I am confused on the issue...
they learned that the English- Dr Ali Bacher and the guys Dr Ali Bacher and the guys have had meetings with the NSC and still decided to go ahead. If I pull out I will be ostracized completely."

side, and Peter Kirsten, of

Western Province. Kirsten,

Meanwhile, the South African Cricket Union (SACU) has confirmed that a domestic code of behaviour, providing for fines or suspensions for players who transgress, will also apply during the matches played by Gatting's side. All local cricketers come under the code and similar discidinary precautions have been incorporated in the English team's contracts.

The code spells out that players must not assault or attempt to assault a spectator, another player, or an umpire; abuse or dispute an umpire's decision; or react in a provocative or disapproving manner. Crude or abusive language or hand signals are also among misdemeanours listed and players must not engage in public acts of misconduct or unruly behaviour while representing South Africa or

their province. Balfour, the president of the NSC, yesterday warned that Gatting's party would face bitter protests.

"At first we were intent on peaceful and non-violent demonstration. But now I would like to leave that question open. I am not prepared to give any assurances about what form protests will take,"

Vatanen joy is tempered by death of friend

However, his triumph was overshadowed by the death of Kaj Salminen, a freelance journalist and good friend, who was on the rally to write a biography of his compatriot. He was killed in a car crash in a village in Mali on Sunday. "I'm pleased to have won,

Vatanen said.

Dakar (AFP) - Ari Vatanen won the event three times.

although it is obviously difficuit to feel happy about it."

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FA's ticket cut stirs anger in Liverpool

Trading standards officers in of segregation arrangements tracing, tickets sold by touts per club depending upon their genuine fans."
level of support. They accused
Following

Councillor Hannah Folan, who chairs Liverpool City Council's Consumer Protection Sub-Committee said: The decision gives the green light to the touts who will be laughing all the way to the bank. A 21,000 allocation can mean 10.000 or more fans from a big club having to buy from touts.

"This can make a nonsense

Liverpool and a local coun- and can also mean thousands but upon which people's cillor yesterday reacted angrily of ticketless fans showing up names appeared, dozens of to the Football Association's on the day in search of a tout, clubs, players and officials decision to cut the allocation It's a disgraceful decision and of tickets to this year's FA Cup shows a total insensitivity on finalists to a probable 21,000 the FA's part to the needs of

Following both the 1988 Liverpool v Wimbledon final and last year's all-Merseyside the FA of "snatching tickets from genuine fans and playing into the hands of ticket touts". affair, trading standards officers in Liverpool conducted investigations into touting. They claimed that from the 1988 Final, touts profited by £250,000 but last year's decision — in the wake of the Hillsborough disaster - to give 35,000 tickets to the supporters of both Liverpool and Everton reduced touting by 83 per cent.

received ticket bans ranging from one year to life from the FA, whose spokesman, David

to touts down the line."

They also claimed that after given last year. Cup replay is far from formality for Everton

Although Everton reached the evenly matched over two 1980s, their recent record in the competition would suggest that tonight's third-round, second replay against Middles-brough at Goodison Park will be anything but a formality.

Last season, Everton required replays against both West Bromwich Albion and Plymouth Argyle before progressing in the early rounds and, in 1988, they had already amassed a total of seven games, four against Sheffield Wednesday and three against tonight's opponents, before they met Liverpool in the fifth

The clubs have been so

Hereford are told to raise ticket supply

Hereford United have been forced to double their allocation of tickets to Manchester United for the FA Cup fourth round tie at Edgar Street on January 28. They are sending 6,000 to Old Trafford on the advice of local police.

Police have fixed a crowd limit of 12,500, but the figure could be raised to 13,200 if an extension to the main stand is completed in time. Jim Kelman has resigned as

manager of the GM Vauxhall Conference side, Wycombe Wanderers, after a series of disappointing results. Kelman took over in January 1988 as Wycombe's first full-time manager. He became the seventh Conference manager to lose his job this season. · Barclays has extended its football sponsorship with the

announcement of a four-year

backing of the annual Pro-

fessional Footballers' Associ-

ation awards.

people said they had passed on tickets to other individuals in good faith but they had gone Bloomfield, replying to the

criticisms from Liverpool, re-iterated the remarks of the FA secretary, Graham Kelly, who said on Monday that with the capacity at Wembley being reduced further this year to 80,000, the percentage of tick-ets going to the finalists has acutally risen from the 44,000 they were originally to be

FA Cup final four times in the games this season that preparations for a possible fourth meeting, at Ayresome Park on Monday night, are at

On Saturday at Southampton, Everton had to rely on two goals from Whiteside, a midfield player, to secure a draw, and the poor form of Sharp, Newell and Cottee, his three forwards, continues to worry Colin Harvey, the

He has delayed naming his side but, with Sheedy expected to play after recovering from a slight hamstring injury, changes are thought unlikely.

> **Dragons** expelled

Deeside Dragons, who failed to fulfil their fixture against Humberside Seahawks on Sunday, have been expelled from the first division of the Heineken ice hockey league. Harry Roberts, their secretary and sponsor, has been suspended from all British ice hockey activities, pending further inquiries by the British Ice Hockey Association.

I wo jailed

Bernard Boileau, the former Belgian tennis champion, has been sentenced to more than three years in jail for drug use, assault and dangerous driving, and Jean-Claude Fontana, a former world-ranked French boxer, has been given a fouryear prison sentence, with two years suspended, for involvement in cocaine trafficking.

SPORT IN BRIEF



Top line-up

Paris (Reuter) - Greg LeMond, Pedro Delgado and Stephen Roche, winners of the last three Tours de France, top the bill in this year's Paris-Nice cycle race, from March 4 to 11, organizers said yesterday. Laurent Fignon, of France, the world No. 1, and Charly Mottet, of France, the world No. 2, have also en-

Country best A record entry of 3,177.

headed by Dave Lewis, last year's winner, has been received for the Provincial Insurance English cross-country championship at Roundhay Park, Leeds, on February 24. Ski change

Kitzbühel (Reuter) - A women's World Cup super-giant slalom due to be run here yesterday but postponed for safety reasons, has been re-scheduled for Santa Catarina, Italy, on January 27,

Poor start Britain's sole remaining repre-

sentative on the International Fifty-Foot circuit, the Rob Humphreys-designed Blizzard of Ernest Juer, sailed by Rodney Pattisson, has had a less than successful start to the Key West World Cup regatta in Florida. It finished thirteenth and tenth in the open-

yesterday ensured Peugeot's final Paris-Dakar rally campaign was victorious by giving the French constructor a fourth win in as many years. Vatanen, of Finland, has now

treble for Peugeot.

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